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Adoption crisis on city roads

BY JESSICA CUNNIFFE

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RESIDENTS are being deprived of basic amenities because their streets are not under council control.

On both sides of the city, people are living for years with unmade roads and unkempt communal areas because developers are yet to transfer estates to the council a process known as adoption.

This means Milton Keynes Council is powerless to fix broken street lamps or signs, tend to potholes, grit roads or maintain greenery in scores of streets because they are still private.

Despite the disparity in services for adopted and unadopted roads, everyone must pay the same council tax.

Even the council's cabinet admits it is 'not happy about the problem'.

The bureaucratic backlog has left residents in limbo on both the eastern and western flanks.

John Bint, councillor for Broughton, Monkston, Monkston Park and Middleton, has been inundated with residents' adoption-related problems.

Half his ward is outside council control.

He said: "If a street light breaks and a resident rings the council office I can't use council officers, I can't use subcontractors. I have to chase developers, who have often moved on.

"The majority of the issues I get from residents are to do with areas that are not yet adopted – ones that should have been adopted years ago. There is a massive backlog.

"Nothing has been done to manage the problem, leaving people in a state of limbo for years and years."

He said that only five streets in Monkston Park are council-controlled.

Large areas of Broughton, where people have been living for up to five years, still resemble a building site even though the houses are complete.

Even pockets of ageing Middleton remain unadopted.

And the last few streets of Monkston were only very recently adopted.

Landscape and roads are adopted separately by the council, following a highway agreement with the developers, but they will only take it on once they consider areas up to scratch.

On the western flank, residents of Westcroft, Kingsmead and Tattenhoe suffer the same problem.

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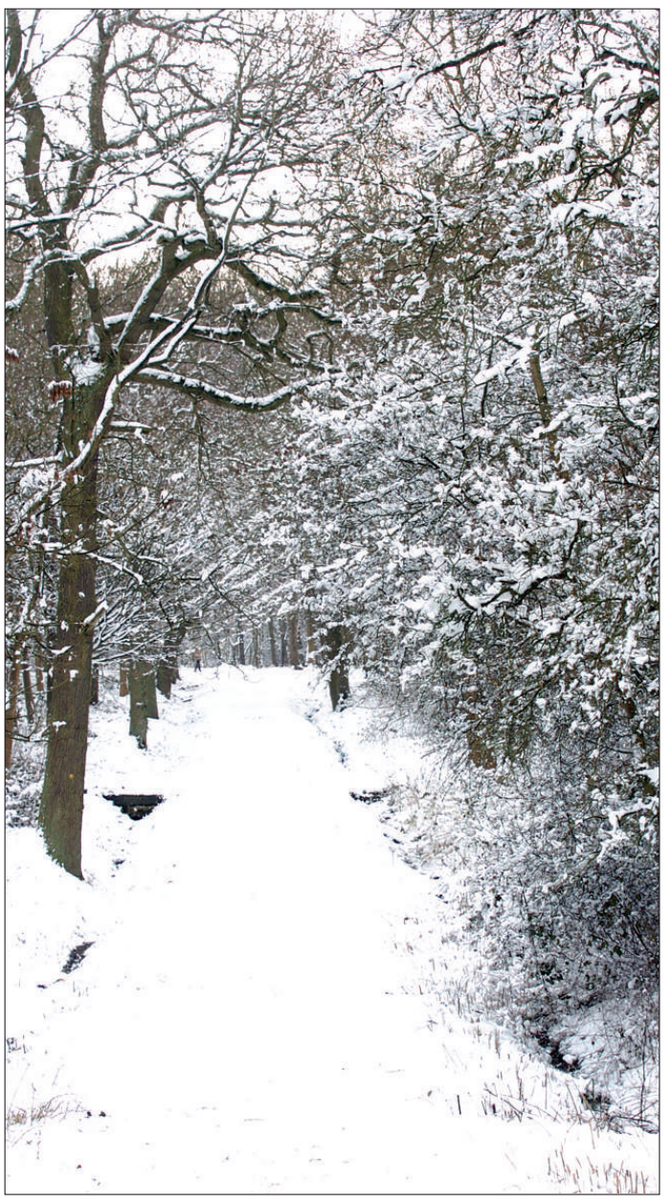
System is to blame: Chairman of Shenley Brook End and Tattenhoe Parish Council, Cllr David Livingstone



Milton Keyne's oldest woodland, Howe Park Wood, turned into a frozen picture postcard this week. More snow pics on page 5

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Tributes paid after meningitis death

Family and football friends at service for nine-year-old 'super hero'

BY JESSICA CUNNIFFE
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Michael Ogunji: 'No mountain high enough for him to climb'

FRIENDS and family of a nine-year-old boy have paid tribute to him at an emotional memorial service.

Michael Ogunji from Westcroft died on January 8 after contracting meningitis.

A memorial service was held for him in Oldbrook on Saturday.

He had played for the Milton Keynes Special Dons FC since March and was known as being one of their most eager players.

His father, Sammy Ogunji, said: "Michael was a caring little boy who touched so many lives with his love and concern. He was an all rounder who brought smiles and laughter to everyone that he came in contact with.

"He was our fearless, little super hero with no mountain high enough for him to climb.

"He was our shining star whose memory will live in our hearts forever."

Secretary for MK Special Dons, Carol Head, said that the Slated Row Special School pupil will be remembered for his smile.

She said: "He was the singular most smiley boy you've ever met. He was always the boy that was smiling the most. He was such a lovely young lad.

"He came along and was actually really good at football. All he wanted to do was join in. His parents would come along and watch him play matches.

"It was a complete shock when we heard he would not be coming back. He will be missed terribly."

Danny Hayter, who coached Michael, went to the memorial service on Saturday morning at the Christian Centre in Oldbrook.

He said: "Michael was the life and soul of the party. He will be greatly missed."

Concerns over unadopted roads

From front page

But even in Shenley Lodge, three streets were only formally adopted in 2009, four years after the highways agreement was signed in 2005.

And while half of Saltwood Avenue in Kingsmead has been adopted, half has not.

Chairman of Shenley Brook End and Tattenhoe Parish Council, Cllr David Livingstone, blames the system which allows developers to move on to new builds before completing previous projects.

He added: "Delays in adoption leave residents stranded in areas where roads are not properly completed, lighting is often not working, and open spaces are untended. All of this detracts from the quality of life for people."

Cabinet member for sustainable development, Cllr Douglas McCall, said he understands residents' concerns and has set up a task group to look at the problem.

John Bint on Laxfield Drive, Broughton

"The issue is bringing land up to adoptable standard. The council is aware of the problem, the council is not happy about the problem, but we are trying to put pressure on the developers to do what they're legally responsible for."

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30-year-old guilty of possessing explosives

A 30-year-old man has been convicted after police found him with explosive substances in Wolverton.

On Thursday a jury at Huntingdon Crown Court found David Lamont Crosby, of Wainers Croft, Greenleys, guilty of possessing explosives and charged under the Explosive Substances Act. He will be sentenced on February 27.

Last week we reported that Adil Ur Rehman, 19, of Victoria Street, Wolverton, was charged with making an explosive substance.

We would like to point out that his actual charge was of possessing explosives.

The jury failed to return a verdict for Mr Rehman.

Monica Harris and Mandy Caukwell: MK Council has served an eviction notice

ADHD charity must quit offices

A CHARITY which fights to improve services for children with special needs has been served an eviction notice by the council.

MK ADHD has been helping children and families affected by Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder since 1995.

But on Wednesday the charity, based in Conniburrow, which was meeting with the council to fight for better services for children affected by the condition was sent a notice ending its tenancy.

Milton Keynes Council, the landlord, has said its time at the Ramsons Avenue base will be up on July 26.

Funding and grants have dried up and the charity is £8,000 in rent arrears.

Despite several small donations from local organisations after MK NEWS told of the charity's plight in November, there has not been enough to sustain them.

Founder Monica Harris says that the seven staff will not be able to run the charity without the offices, from where they give training, literature on the condition, a drop-in service for families and run a 24-hour hotline.

MK ADHD worker Mandy Caukwell said: "We are doing everything we can to keep the charity going. It is vital to the people of Milton Keynes and beyond."

A council spokesman said: "We have tried very hard to accommodate this group but you have to draw the line somewhere. It's not fair on other groups, including charities, who do pay their rent on time.

"However, even now, we are still giving them until July 26 to vacate the premises so we have been more than fair.

"In terms of funding them via our special educational needs team, we don't believe the group's contribution to ADHD is significant enough to justify this."

■ Anyone who can offer any help can contact 01908 676779 or e-mail mk_adhd@yahoo.com

Probe into numbers of special needs kids

BY JESSICA CUNNIFFE
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MORE money is being spent on city children with special educational needs (SEN) than the national average.

The news comes as Milton Keynes Council undertakes a major review of its SEN provision.

Initial reports also indicate that a 'far higher' number of SEN children are educated in special schools or out of the borough compared to national figures.

The first phase of the review will be completed in April.

Of the 21,083 school pupils in Milton Keynes, 3,564 are categorised as having SEN. Of these 276 have statements – where the local authority sets out what special help they need.

Special needs expert Penny Richardson, who is conducting the review, said: "There's a higher dependency on schools the council doesn't run. The average cost of those is very high."

MK NEWS has asked the council to tell this newspaper how many, how far the children are having to travel and what the costs of educating a child outside the city are.

The council says it will do so once figures have been 'validated'.

MK ADHD, a charity that supports families with children affected by SEN, is itself struggling to survive (see story above).

At a council meeting held at its office last week one parent said his child had been sent to Oakham, in Leicestershire, and to Birmingham.

He said: "Milton Keynes could not provide the education or the placement that my son needed. And the cost of sending him out of the county has been ridiculously high. Ideally, let's get another facility within Milton Keynes that children can go to."

Others raised concerns that SEN children are having to take taxis across the city every day.

The council said this is 'not an ideal situation'.

MK ADHD worker and parent Mandy Caukwell said: "We are worried that Milton Keynes Council is trying to stop services for our children instead of increasing them."

A council spokesman said: "There is much good provision and teaching for pupils with SEN in Milton Keynes, which has been recognised by OfSTED and other external agencies.

"However, an initial review of SEN provision does indicate that there are slightly more pupils with statements of SEN in Milton Keynes than would be expected and with a far higher proportion of these educated in special schools or out of the borough when compared to national or statistical neighbours.

"In addition, the average spend per pupil with special needs appears to be higher than average and the outcomes for young people lower."

ENERGY COMPANY SOUNDS OUT COUNCIL ON WIND FARM

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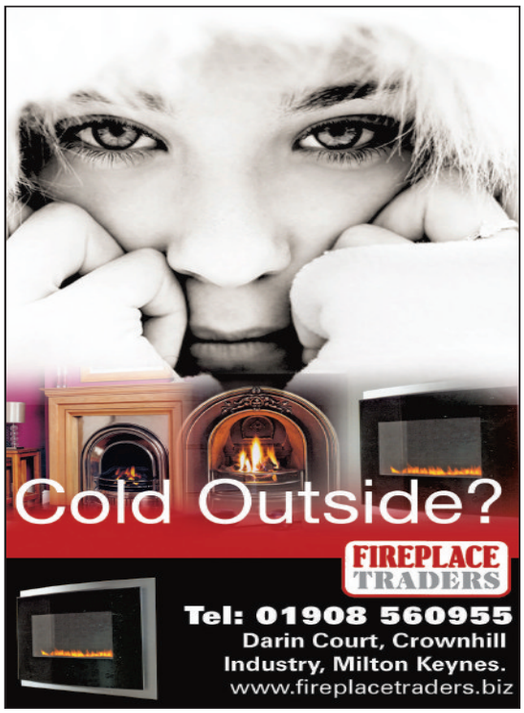

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Student daze

SIR – If instead of wallowing in nostalgia for his own long-lost student days your correspondent had bothered to visit the new University Centre and talk to staff and students, he would have realised what an exciting development this is and how much it will benefit students, local businesses and Milton Keynes itself.

Fortunately the Secretary of State, Hazel Blears, recognises excellence when she sees it and at the opening last week she said: "Today has opened my eyes to the wonderful possibilities here: it has exceeded all my expectations."

The University College MK is a 21st century institution in the heart of the business district, encouraging interaction between business and academia, and bringing innovation and high standards to students who are combining study and work.
Dr Phyllis Starkey MP

■ SIR – What a shame Mr Bartlett takes such a misguided view of the launch of the University Centre in Milton Keynes.

Far from the picture he paints, my experience, from having visited the centre, is that it is offering very high quality learning, geared to the needs of the modern world.

Quality is not just about the grade of the qualification you wave on the way in: it is about the calibre of what you deliver on the way out. UCMK is striving to ensure that their graduates and students emerge with the very highest quality of knowledge, learning and achievemen, and equipped to work in the contemporary business environment.

The world is changing and with today's technology, initiatives like the one in Milton Keynes can bring top quality courses from centres of excellence UK-wide and beyond, right to your front door.

Going away to study is one option; but staying at home is by no means a second rate choice. We should be proud that the University Centre MK, together with its partners, is leading the way.
Dr Mike Nussbaum
Sent by e-mail

Going rates

SIR – Further to your article last week and the comments made by Cllr Douglas McCall regarding the increased traffic and pressure on the city's roads.

Would this have anything to do with the number of new properties that have been built in the last few years?

Could the councillor confirm what they have done with all the extra rates collected from all these households, surely a portion of this should be invested in the public transport systems which our council feel we are so in need of?

Is this the mode of transport used by Cllr McCall to fulfil his role, along with the rest of the CMK council?

I think not.
Laura Hughes
Victoria Road, Fenny Stratford

■ SIR – I feel compelled to respond to the statement made last week by Cllr Douglas McCall re 'parking charges have not increased for four years and will still be cheaper than elsewhere in the region'.

So what? Milton Keynes was designed with the two-car family in mind and was one of its major selling points to attract people to live here. Now in the Lib Dems wisdom they seek to penalise those very same people!

Further more there were rumours years ago of an integrated tram system, what happened to it? I am sure that this would have been more viable andacceptable alternative of public transport for people and is a proven alternative to unreliable polluting buses.

I would like to ask what the council have done with the millions of pounds of revenue generated through the existing charges, as it certainly isn't used to maintain the existing road infrastructure. Many of the major roads around Milton Keynes have huge pot holes in them, some of which have been there for at least 12 months with no sign of them being repaired.

As a motorcyclist – largely to save money on parking charges – the current condition of the roads can make my daily commute dangerous and does nothing to encourage those thinking of switching to two wheels to do so.

Like many people I work hard and I am fortunate enough to be able to run a car. I should not be penalised by local government by enforcing a draconian policy to force me to use a bus.

I firmly believe that the Lib Dem's have lost touch with the real world issues of the current recession as they are largely unaffected by such matters. If they continue to enforce these unwelcome increases , they will no doubt take pride in the fact that they single handedly brought the demise of Milton Keynes by chasing all the local commerce and shoppers away.
Simon Nurdin
Norman Crescent, Middleton

■ SIR – Regarding Cllr McCall's statement on parking increases.

I wasn't aware that we are supposed to expect an increase every four years.

The buses in MK are never on time, take ages to come and take ages on the journey and they smell inside. It has always been like that and it will always be like that.
Jonathan Ridgway
Sent by e-mail

■ SIR – When the council brought in parking fees in CMK about 10 years ago they said the income would be used to improve public transport. On top of that they were – and still are – paying huge subsidies to bus companies.

Since then we've had hikes in the charges, economic boom years, more shops and, so the council says, more people using the buses.

Yet now they want to put charges up again, and, unbelievably, put more on council tax, so they can throw good money after bad.

Where did our money go and why should we be taxed even more to waste more?
Peter Heaton
Sent by e-mail

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Excellence is the key driver for University CMK

SIR – I was interested to read the letter from Mr Bartlett (Letters last week) questioning the academic standards of the new University Centre Milton Keynes (UCMK) and drawing attention to some aspects of the national educational framework which have complicated the higher education landscape.

I am delighted to be able to reassure Mr Bartlett, and all of your readers, that excellence is the key driver for UCMK.

We are committed to providing high quality teaching, relevant and challenging curricula, and excellent resources coupled with leading edge scholarship. In fact, we were subject to a routine independent audit by the QAA (the university equivalent of Ofsted) during our first few weeks of operation and were commended for many examples of good practice. The QAA's confidence in our fledgling operation has been echoed by our academic partners, business leaders and government ministers alike.

In my previous post at Cambridge University I successfully propelled my Cambridge College up the academic league tables. Let there be no doubt that UCMK shares my commitment to academic quality and to the rigours of the intellectual enterprise which must underpin successful and effective universities.

It is a mistake too, to conflate the desire to widen participation with low academic standards, and the evidence is right here in our doorstep. Consider the shining example of the Open University, one of UCMK's valued academic partners, which has no formal admissions criteria, and yet the academic value of an OU degree is respected worldwide. Our other partner universities offer similarly distinctive qualities.

It should be noted that UCMK is part of Milton Keynes College which, as an institution, has developed a formidable reputation for improving retention, achievement and success rates while being one of the fastest growing Colleges in the country and staying true to a guiding principle of inclusive education for all.

Moving away from home to go to university is indeed a precious experience but it is not possible, or appropriate, for everyone. That choice can be made without sacrificing quality.

Furthermore, Mr Bartlett assumes that our remit is simply to teach 18 year old school leavers. This is to ignore the crucial role of higher education in addressing the lifelong learning needs of all members of our community. At no time has this been more apparent than in our current difficult economic context. He has only to talk to local business leaders to discover their vision for and commitment to a University of Milton Keynes and their delight in UCMK's important first steps in making this a reality.

Of course we must seek to be ambitious and to develop a reputation which attracts students and staff from across the country, and indeed from overseas. But this is just week 19 of our operation and reputations, like facilities, take time to deliver. Our lofty ambitions would be hollow were they not backed by realism and by a robust and sustainable business model.

As I write, I am on a train to Leeds to meet with the HCA Academy to take forward the centre of excellence in sustainable communities at UCMK announced by Hazel Blears last week. This evening, I will be meeting with colleagues from the University of Bedfordshire to develop our plans for research collaboration in biomedical science. We value our growing partnership with the OU and Cranfield University to help to deliver the MK Science and Innovation initiative. These activities, among many others, will enable UCMK to develop a distinctive and respected identity of which the city can be proud.

Finally, Mr Bartlett cites a number of questions which he claims to have solicited under the Freedom of Information Act, though no such application has yet been received. I would gladly respond to his queries, and indeed those of any member of the community, without recourse to FoI applications. Anyone wishing to engage with UCMK to ask questions or to help to shape our vision will find an enthusiastic and willing conversation partner.

Dr Keith Straughan
Dean of UCMK

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Linford Wood

Having fun in Campbell Park

James Scobbie, Will Hodgins and Bill Tomlinson enjoy a can in Newport Pagnell

Reader Steve Ickinger sent in this picture of frosted trees taken near Willen Lake

Laura Cope snapped herself in Newton Longville

Snowy by Graham Stringer from Shenley Church End

MK a winter wonderland

MILTON Keynes was under a blanket of snow this week.

Many schools closed on Monday and Tuesday as headteachers had to decide whether the worsening weather conditions meant children were safer at home.

Meanwhile the council's ten gritters were out in force spreading 500 tonnes of salt over the main roads.

Hospitals and ambulance services were stretched, with one ambulance spokesman saying the volume of calls on Monday morning increased by a third.

"There were some road traffic collisions, but the vast majority of the calls were for medical reasons, people having breathing problems and chest pains, some of which were associated with the weather."

Over on Bury Common in Newport Pagnell, Brian Tomlinson organised an impromptu igloo-building event on a social networking site on Monday evening.

The 'big fun with Brian' organiser said: "We seized the moment and rushed out an invite on Facebook at the last minute when we heard the snow was coming."

On Monday we asked you through our website to send in your pictures of the snow, today we publish a selection with a few that our photographer, Andy Handley, also captured.

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FROM PAGE 4

Visitor detraction

SIR – I attended and spoke at the MK Council cabinet meeting last week, and was concerned at the Liberal-Dems lack of consideration of the current economic recession.

Cllr McCall is keen to increase the public transport structure of the city, but seeks to do so by levelling charges which will cause an extra financial burden to the workers in the City Centre, who at an average wage of just £6 per hour are some of the lowest paid workers in the city.

Central Milton Keynes exists to supply shopping and leisure to thousands of people, 40 per cent of whom come from outside Milton keynes.

In this time of economic unrest, with many businesses facing an uncertain future, to place any extra charges that may deter visitors makes no fiscal sense at all.

Anyone who visits the city centre by car should contact their councillor and let them know their views on being forced to subsidise a bus service while the heart of the city is being placed under such an ill-timed burden.

David Mead
Townend Crescent, Stoke Goldington

■ SIR – Here we are again, its that time of the year again when the council think tanks considers how it is going to extract yet more money from what it considers us to be, the Cash Cows of Milton Keynes.

As in previous years as far back as I can remember because the council cannot keeps its expenditure under control, If they were spending their own money they certainly would, but it is all too easy to spend other peoples money) they are†considering increasing car parking charges.

This under the guise of putting even more money into public transport, along with a proposed 0.5 per cent increase on our council taxes for buses.

Perhaps the long term plan is that if enough money is ploughed in, we can each have our own personal bus.

This I take it is so that the two or three people on these buses can have an even speedier route to the city, while tens of thousands of motorists are further inconvenienced by even more bus lanes.

What has happened to the money from parking charges that originally went to provide better public transport?

When is it going to dawn on the powers that be, we do not want to spend our lives waiting and travelling on a bus for 45 minutes when that same journey is possible in a car in 10 minutes?

I like thousands of others are fed up with being taken for a ride by ever increasing council charges of one sort or another, it is time that Milton Keynes Council respected the local population & started to operate business like, containing its costs, making sure every pound was spent well & was actually necessary expenditure and not grand schemes that we cannot afford.

R J Newcombe
Sent by e-mail

■ SIR – I think it's out of order. I shouldn't be discriminated for having a car; as a student I need my car to survive and I can barely afford it as it is increased parking spaces just make the situation worse.

It's rare that I have the money to go shopp ing as it is w ithout the hastle of hav ing to f ind money for park ing.

If you want to improve public transport charge more for fares or other costs rather than affecting people who don't use the publ ic transport system.

Try a charity fundraising event or something.

Kerry
Sent by e-ma il

■ SIR – If the council were coming up with ideas that would actually get people out of their cars I would support them.

As a bus is merely a poor quality version of a car, with all the disadvantages and none of the advantages, these proposals are a waste of money.

MK was designed for cars, its shape and population density makes public transport routing difficult.

I dislike the badly driven boxes that constitute the present bus service and am sure that many other people would not leave their car at home to use even the much vaunted 'quality bus' services.

I would also be happier if money was not wasted on uneccessary work such as that currently under way at the end of V7 apparently to solve a non-existent congest ion problem.

There was'nt a problem before the work started – there is now.

Peter
Sent by e-mail

Head in the clouds

SIR – Any figures and statistics which are deemed reliable must only come from a source or company or establishment that has nothing to do with the police.

I think police area commander Alan Baldwin must be about 1,000ft tall, as he certainly has his head in the clouds about some of the aspects.

I know he should look at the rough behaviour of a good few of his staff before he even begins to criticise the general public.

If my 'dancing days' being over was the only thing that I (and so many many others) was 'afraid' of, I would be over the moon.

Tact must come in all over and flippancy must go out.

Dr Karen Kanaspie
Sent by e-mail

Hate crime talks

SIR – Milton Keynes is not anywhere near being 'one of the first' to set up a hate crime conference.

In the North West, Blackpool undertook a major equality hate crime event last year, as did the Fylde area.

Various police authorities have also held events so it is important that we start working together, and know what each area is doing well. To this end I can say that a major conference on hate crime and the media is being held in London on May 6.

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Stephen Brookes
Sent by e-mail

MKNEWS BRIEFS

Pancake assault course

A HOSPICE is calling for people to go 'flipping crazy' on Shrove Tuesday.

Willen Hospice is holding a pancake race in Middleton Hall, thecentre:mk on February 24.

It costs £40 to enter a team of four and getting sponsored to tackle the assault course while flipping a pancake is optional.

To enter a team for the race call Elaine on 01908 306991 or email: johnstone@willen-hospice.org.uk

Bus ticket sale still on

BUS users can buy day tickets for 20p less this month

Bus operator MK Metro has extended its New Year sale for the rest of February in an effort to get more people out of cars and onto public transport.

A Milton Keynes Day Ticket, which gives unlimited travel on MK Metro bus services throughout the city, is currently £3, just under a 10 per cent reduction.

Commercial director Brian Drury said: "This campaign aims to reassure people that using buses can be excellent value."

Breast test push

WOMEN aged between 50 and 70 are being encouraged to get tested for breast cancer.

Statistics issued by the NHS Information Centre last week revealed that nearly three quarters of women in Milton Keynes in this age range attended for a mammogram in 2008.

Life ban for owner who let dog suffer

BY ROB GIBSON
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A 33-YEAR-OLD man has received 200 hours of community service and costs of £2,660 after he admitted causing suffering to his pet dog.

Stacey Thomas, of Robins Hill, Coffee Hall, was sentenced at Milton Keynes Magistrates' Court on Friday after pleading guilty to two counts of causing unnecessary suffering to his black and tan mongrel, Babes.

A neighbour called the RSCPCA after finding Babes trying to escape from the house through a broken window, squealing and yelping.

Inspector Dave Braybrooke found the dog suffering from muscle wastage and cuts to its nose and paw.

The house was empty and the owner had gone away for a few days, leaving a friend to check on Babes.

Thomas, who had owned the dog for three years, admitted that he failed in his responsibility to seek veterinary treatment for its poor weight and to keep the dog in a safe environment.

Stacey Thomas' dog Babes was suffering from Muscle wastage

His solicitor, Mark Sookram, said that Thomas had rescued the dog from a drug addict, he did not realise Babes was underweight and thought it was its natural size.

Magistrates told Thomas that he must carry out 200 hours of unpaid work in the next 12 months.

They disqualified him from keeping dogs for life and ordered him to pay £2,660 in costs.

The dog was taken into care and has now been rehomed.

Truants copped

FORTY children who were playing truant from school have received a surprise wake up call from the police.

The students, from Radcliffe School in Wolverton, were taken back into school by police officers on Friday morning during an operation to crack down on truancy.

Officers from Wolverton Police Station worked in conjunction with the school and an educational welfare officer to identify unauthorised absentees and get them back to class.

The operation began at 8.30am when officers visited homes and spoke to parents and guardians.

Sergeant Dave Matthews said: "We carried out a sweep of all the public areas and we also had patrols going round with the educational support officer to knock on the long term truants. We can lose them to criminality so it's about trying to make sure that they do not slip through the net. It's not the kids who commit the offence, it's the parents and they could face prosecution."

Killed: Sandra Andrews

Family tribute to murdered wife after husband is jailed

THE family of Sandra Andrews has paid tribute to her after her estranged husband was sentenced to life for murder.

David Andrews, 57, of Ramsons Avenue, Conniburrow, was ordered to serve a minimum of 18 years after pleading guilty to her murder, at Luton Crown Court last Tuesday.

Sandra Helen Andrews (nee Philips), 54, was found murdered on Sunday, July 6 last year after visiting his city flat.

On Thursday, her family provided these words of tribute: "She was a beloved mum to her three daughters and only son, a doting nanny to her six granddaughters, three grandsons, and a much loved sister to her two brothers.

"Everything about Sandra was caring and special and she was completely devoted to her family. There are no words to express how much Sandra will be missed.

"Her loss is felt very deeply and has left her family, friends and work colleagues reeling from the shock of her sudden and tragic departure."

A spokesman for the family said: "While the conviction of their father for this atrocious crime has given them technical closure to this dreadful nightmare, emotionally they will never recover.

"The family now asks to be granted privacy so they can be left alone to grieve in peace and attempt to rebuild their tragic and shattered lives."

Andrews stabbed his wife 249 times during a frenzied attack after she told him that she had never loved him during 30 years of marriage.

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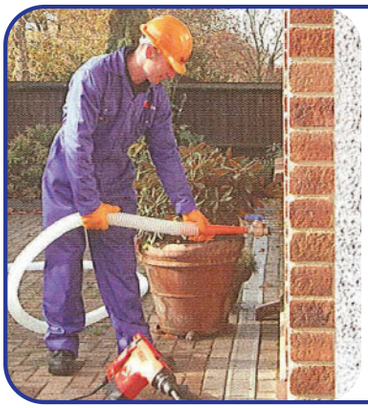

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Bill Robinson Mobile Operations Manager for Network Rail

Bill's job's on the line

When facing delay-laden journeys and commuter-crammed carriages, it is easy for rail passengers to forget that there are hundreds of people working on the lines to get them from A to B. Reporter JESSICA CUNNIFFE met one of the orange-over-alled men who tries to ensure everything runs smoothly.

Bill Robinson

BILL Robinson's role brings a literalness to the term 'line manager'.

His job is to oversee the portion of train track between Castlethorpe and Cheddington, and part of the Bedford to Bletchley route, as Network Rail's mobile operations manager.

His remit? Anything and everything that happens in his patch.

His goal is always the same: the remove any obstacle that poses peril to punctuality.

"Whatever the situation that comes up we've got to do everything we can to keep the trains running," said the former building surveyor, who has worked on the railways since 1993.

Throughout his 12-hour shifts, during which he must be first on the scene at any incidents, he can face anything - be it leaves, trolleys or even bodies.

In fact, with roughly one suicide every day on Britian's railways, fatalities are far from a rarity. Bill estimates that he is called to a suspected suicide every couple of months.

"I get the call and when I come to the scene I start the examination to find the body. But it's always been a part of the job. It's something you are told about before you start."

News of a suicide on the line is relayed to Bill in the same way that anything else is - via the signal box at Bletchley Station and operations control, which is based in Birmingham.

More and more of these call-outs relate to criminal activity, namely vandalism and cable theft, which is 'absolutely rife'.

Other duties, for example when the temperature drops and the tracks actually break, include Bill, superman-like, having to pass a train over the broken rails (albeit at 5mph).

Continuing the superhero theme, averting the odd disaster is another part of the job, usually involving children playing on the tracks.

"When you get the call it makes the hairs on the back of my neck all prickly because I think of the potential catastrophe. It doesn't seem to make any difference how you fence a railway off, kids seem to be drawn to it. Kids like to put bits of ballast on the track to smash them.

"But it doesn't take much to derail a train."

Much of the debris Bill finds on the line - such as supermarket trolleys - is not enough to throw the engines off course (he explains that the obstruction must be large enough to lift the wheels up and off the rails).

Yet, strangely, something as benign as leaves can cause havoc with the country's network. And the leaf-fall season is something seasoned travellers know all too well know.

"The reason why leaves cause such problems is that when they fall on the track and are wet they become like black ice. We carry out risk assessments and if there is a chance of derailment then we will not let them continue. Even if it's 10,000 to one, that's too many."

With all his hard work, does Bill become frustrated with the derision directed at his company?

For example last month, the week most people went back to work happened to coincide with consecutive days of delays and cancellations, for which Network Rail bore the brunt of blame.

"It was unfortunate that these incidents just happened all at the same time. But more trains running on the West Coast Mainline than any other line. When I first came on the railways they used to run 1,600 a day. With the high frequency timetable there must be about 2,300 now.

"It's almost a thing - everyone loves to hate the railways even though there are more trains are more punctual than they ever were."

With the power to stop all trains on a line in order to carry out maintenance and repairs, there is also an element of danger in Bill's job, with trains hurtling down the lines at up to 125mph.

Even though his life is literally on the line when he steps down onto the tracks, Bill feels totally safe.

"If you can't do it safely then you don't do it. There's no way that you should ever feel compromised or unsafe. If you didn't have the right documentation you won't be putting a foot on the ballast."

When trains are controlled up in Birmingham, and even with signalling set to be centralised from Bletchley to Rugby, it is refreshing to know that there will always be Bill is on hand, on the ground, somewhere between Castlethorpe and Cheddington.

And when everything goes smoothly, Bill enjoys it as much as the passengers.

"If you get a day when there's nothing reported, when you've done all your assessments and everything's ok, it's the best job in the world really."

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Former armed robber teaches school class

A FORMER armed robber has spoken to schoolchildren about the dangers of carrying a knife.

Every student at Radcliffe School, from Year 7 to Year 11, attended the workshop.

Hundreds of children heard Lionel Quarry's shocking personal experience of knife crime and prison.

Lionel is now a reformed character and is working for The New Destiny Trust, alongside local police.

Radcliffe School is the first in Milton Keynes to use the group.

Syd Sayed, another former criminal, also spoke.

Lionel talked about being stripped and beaten by guards at a high security prison and serious organised crime, before showing slides of horrific knife injuries.

Students had to walk through knife detectors to get into the hall and T-shirts with the slogan 'No knife, no jail life' were handed out for students who answered questions.

Syd told them: "We're here to discuss a culture which has suddenly evolved in the last few years.

"Do you know anyone who has carried a weapon or a knife?"

Many students raised their hands and when asked why people carry knives, gave reasons including protection, respect, fashion and fear.

Former criminal Syd Sayed speaks on knife crime

Afterwards, 15-year-old Hannah Cunningham told MK NEWS: "It was great because they had the experience.

"It really got through because it was more scary and intimidating.

"It's a problem on some estates but I think it's quite good around here."

Lionel said: "The great thing about Milton Keynes is it's just starting to creep in and they're in a position to stop it.

"There are some areas where they are just starting to have this gang attitude towards certain estates but what starts as a laugh ends up with kids getting kicked out of school and it snowballs."

Headteacher John O'Donnell said: "We believe we've got a safe school community and this is part of keeping it that way.

"If we believe these things don't exist we would be burying our heads in the sand."

Milton Keynes Council 2010 School Admissions Arrangements

The council is consulting on arrangements for school admissions in September 2010.

All documents are available on the council's website at **www.milton-keynes.gov.uk/schooladmissions** If you would like to comment on the proposals a response form is available which should be completed and returned by 2 March 2009.

If you require a paper copy of the documents please telephone 01908 253371.

You can also comment on the proposed arrangements for individual foundation, voluntary aided schools and The Milton Keynes Academy which are available on the council's website **www.milton-keynes.gov.uk/schooladmissions** Paper copies of the consultation documents are available from the individual school.

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Tesco to get the OK for new mega store

BY LAURA HANNAM
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PLANS to double the size of a supermarket in Wolverton are set to get the go ahead.

Officers have recommended that Milton Keynes Council grant permission for proposals to rebuild the Tesco store on Stratford Road.

The supermarket hopes to replace the existing store with a new shop built on stilts bringing it up to the same level as the shops on Stratford Road, providing a link to the town centre and customer parking below.

The store would be more than twice as big, growing from the current 6,764 square metres to 13,945 square metres.

It would be bigger than Tesco's store in Kingston and a similar size to Asda in Bletchley.

The plans also include custom built premises for the community centre and the Living Archive, allowing space for three new shops on Stratford Road.

The planning application was originally submitted in November 2007.

The rear of the old fire station, built in 1911, will be demolished as part of the work with only its front retained.

Milton Keynes Council's (MKC) development control committee is due to discuss the plans in a special meeting on Monday.

The plans have met opposition from businesses associations, residents and parish and town councils in Wolverton, Stony Stratford and Haversham.

Allan Nall, secretary of the Wolverton Business Association, said: "MKC's consultant claims the Tesco development will only take between five and eight per cent of the retail business out of Wolverton town centre.

"There is no doubt it will have a major impact in Wolverton and nearby town centres."

A public meeting to discuss the proposals is being held at Wyvern School, Aylesbury Street, Wolverton tomorrow (Thursday, February 5) from 7.30pm.

The plans will be on display and Alan Mills, the planning officer dealing with the application, will answer questions.

Tony Fletcher, Tesco corporate affairs manager, said: "We hope that councillors will be able to support our plans which will involve making a major investment in Wolverton, including creating 250 new jobs.

"We know residents and the town council have been particularly concerned with possible traffic implications of this scheme.

"We have worked very hard with council officers to ensure that we have a traffic scheme that will work.

The plans are also on display in the foyer of Wolverton Town Hall/Library and are available to view at the Civic Offices, Silbury Boulevard, Central Milton Keynes.

To submit a question to be answered by Tesco e-mail Questions@WolvertonUnlimited.com

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Tax rise is too high says city Tory group

A PROPOSED 3.9 per cent rise in council tax has been branded 'excessive' by opposition councillors.

The Conservative group will put forward a proposal for 1.9 per cent rise for the year 2009/10 – decreasing to a 0 per cent rise in 2010/11.

But Liberal Democrat cabinet member for finance, Cllr Sam Crooks, said that the last thing the council wants to be doing is taking money out of services.

The Conservatives will offer an amendment to the administration's proposal rise at a council meeting meeting on February 26.

Cllr Crooks said: "We have other measures in place to help people with the recession, such as debt advice. Public authorities should be putting money into services to help people. We don't want to be taking money out of services."

Cllr David Tunney, Conservative budgetary spokesperson said: "I have spent many hours reviewing the figures presented to me by council officers and I am now convinced these proposals are deliverable to the residents of Milton Keynes with absolutely no cuts to front line services, and with significant extra investment in public transport."

***Buckinghamshire and Milton Keynes Fire Authority is due to approve a 4.99 per cent increase in council tax at its next meeting on Friday February 13. Thames Valley Police is due to set its precept on the same day.**

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By Kristie from HobbyCraft

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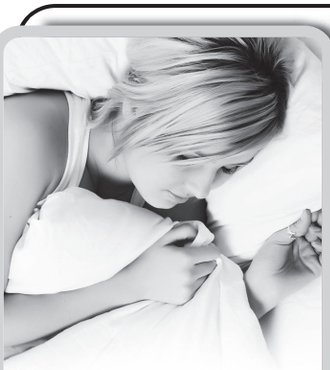

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Crane death was a 'tragic accident'

BY LAURA HANNAM
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THE death of a man who was crushed by a crane as it collapsed was a tragic accident, an inquest has heard.

Donald Preston, 62, from West Sussex was dismantling the arm of a crane when it fell and trapped him at Willowbridge Marina, in Stoke Road, Bletchley on Wednesday, July 23, 2008.

Friday's inquest heard he died at the scene of multiple injuries including a broken spine and ribs.

Mr Preston, from West End Lane, Henfield, was company director of Jones Cranes, based in West Sussex, and had recently bought the 65 foot tall crane to be renovated and sold on.

Built in 1976 the Jones 971C Crawler Crane, which carries up to 27 tonnes, had been used by the marina to lift boats out of the canal.

Mr Preston was dismantling a section of its arm to take away when it fell as the second of four pins was removed.

He had crouched underneath to remove the pin with a sledge hammer and was trapped as it collapsed.

Marina staff used a fork lift truck to lift the equipment and release him. Emergency services attended at around 1.30pm but Mr Preston was pronounced dead at the scene by paramedics.

Mechanical engineer Taran Hewitt, who investigated the incident as specialist inspector for the Health and Safety Executive, said he could not understand why Mr Preston, who had years of experience dealing with cranes, had dismantled it without using sleepers to support the arm and prevent it falling.

Mr Preston's son, Sean, said: "It defies belief. He has done jobs three times as complicated as this; he dismantled a crane in the Arctic Circle five years ago.

"People who knew him and knew his work are shocked and stunned by this."

A jury of five women and four men returned a verdict of accidental death.

The scene of the accident at Willowbridge Marina in Stoke Road, Bletchley

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PM backs code-crack centre's regeneration

THE Prime Minister has put his backing behind a campaign to help regenerate Bletchley Park.

Gordon Brown was speaking at a regional media reception held at Number 10 Downing Street last Wednesday, to which MK NEWS had been invited.

As previously revealed by this newspaper, the historical buildings and Second World War museum are in desperate need of refurbishment after the code-cracking huts began to decay.

The mansion roof has now been repaired thanks to funding from English Heritage, which has also tabled £300,000 for further repairs.

But that money will only be available if the Bletchley Park Trust can find a matching bid from another donor.

Mr Brown told MK NEWS editor David Gale at the reception that the iconic building meant a lot to him as his uncle had worked there during the Second World War.

He said: "There is no doubt that Bletchley Park is a special place and I am keen to see it gets the help it needs. I believe that work has already started and it should continue.

"My uncle worked there and it is an important building for the nation."

Mr Brown visited Bletchley Park last year to see a revolutionary new light bulb that has been developed at the Science and Innovation Centre.

Bletchley Park Trust director, Simon Greenish, has called for residents to vote on a crucial funding proposal.

As part of its budget consultation for 2009/10 Milton Keynes Council is asking residents' views on whether it should contribute.

The proposal asks whether the taxpayer supports a total contribution of £60,000 over the next two years, which will be added to existing funds.

Mr Greenish, said: "It's the first time that the public has voted on this.

"It would effectively put £400,000 into the site in two years and that's a huge part of getting this site regenerated.

"With the other donations it would be close to £1million invested over four years.

"Now is the time for the public to show a little bit of enthusiasm about trying to turn this place into the historic jewel in Milton Keynes."

Churchill's codebreakers were housed in the huts at Bletchley Park to break German naval codes during the war.

Hut 6, one of the most symbolic buildings of Britain's code-breaking past, was only saved thanks to a £500,000 donation from the Sidney Frank Foundation last year.

The campaign in this newspaper has helped to raise £2,500 in donations from city residents and a petition to save Bletchley Park broke into the top ten on the Downing Street website.

The trust is still in discussion with the Lottery Hedge Fund and is showcasing its £10million master plan detailing a major restructuring project to create an easier visitor experience.

The budget consultation-form needs to be returned to the council by Friday, February 6. Log on to www.milton-keynes.gov.uk/budget-consultation

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Council is sounded out on plans for fourth wind farm

BY LAURA HANNAM
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A GREEN energy company has announced interest in constructing 18 wind turbines in fields near Stoke Goldington.

Ecotricity has submitted a 'scoping opinion' application to Milton Keynes Council to seek its initial reaction to proposals to build turbines between Stoke Park Wood and the M1, with blade tips 120 metres above ground level.

The site has been given the name 'Stoke Heights' by the developer.

Anti-wind campaigners say the plans, which could be the fourth wind farm to be built north of Milton Keynes.

Peter Geary, spokesman for local pressure group Bucks Lacks Enough Wind (BLEW), said: "If this is granted there could be seven turbines at Petsoe Manor Farm near Emberton, 12 near Lavendon, three at Podington and 18 at Stoke Goldington. It will have a massive impact on the countryside turning it into wind alley."

Sam Potts, councillor for Stoke Goldington, said he believes the developers see Milton Keynes planners as a 'soft touch' and is worried the countryside will be destroyed.

Dale Vince OBE, managing director of Ecotricity, said the turbines would generate enough green energy to power over 25,000 local homes.

"We are in the very early stages and are currently talking with Milton Keynes Council to determine if the project is broadly viable," he said.

"If this proposal was to progress any further we would undertake a comprehensive public consultation programme."

■ BLEW is currently considering taking its fight against Your Energy's plans for seven turbines at Petsoe Manor Farm near Emberton to the European Court of Human Rights. Milton Keynes Council granted planning permission for the wind farm in January 2008.

■ Npower recently resubmitted plans to build twelve 125m high wind turbines at Nun Wood, between Bozeat, Harrold and Lavendon.

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PATIENTS with cancer will be given free prescriptions from April.

The local health service wants city residents to know anyone undergoing treatment for cancer, the effects of cancer or the effects of cancer treatment is entitled to apply for an exemption certificate for free prescriptions valid from April 1.

Patients can collect an application form from their GP surgery or oncology clinics.

The form must be countersigned by their GP, hospital doctor or service doctor.

The new scheme is expected to benefit up to 150,000 people across the country already diagnosed with cancer, who might pay £100 or more each year in prescription charges.

Marie Curie download

A MAN who has lost family and friends to cancer has written a song to raise money for charity.

Mark Dickinson, who works for the Tesco distribution centre in Fenny Lock, wrote the lyrics for a single called 'Lazing in the Sun' to raise funds for Marie Curie Cancer Care.

The song has been produced and performed by Derren Boulton and the music was written by local artist Jacques Lewis.

It is available to download on I-Tunes and Tesco Digital.com costing 77p and all of the revenue raised will be donated directly to Marie Curie.

Hospice benefits from city pros

CITY professionals have raised more than £4,000 for a hospice.

Accountants and solicitors from across the region went head-to-head in an annual charity pop music quiz night at Stadium MK in Milton Keynes.

The event, hosted by Lloyds TSB Corporate Market in Milton Keynes, raised £2,270 which was matched by the Lloyds TSB Foundation.

The £4,540 of proceeds will go to Helen & Douglas House in Oxford, a children's charity providing respite and end of life care, chosen by the winning team Underwoods Chartered Surveyors from Northampton.

Over the last seven years the quiz has raised over £12,000 for local charities.

Club night cancelled

AN underground club night will no longer by run at the Revolution bar in Xscape.

Promoters felt that the night did not have a 'certain future' at the venue so the event has been cancelled.

They plan to bring the event back to the city at another location.

Promoter Jason Charles said: "It's never an easy decision cancelling a night, but we felt that we were unable to carry on.

"However, we are working on a way to bring Beatcheck back to the concrete city and make it bigger, better and more banging than ever before.

"We also want to thank everyone for their support, coming to the night and making it a huge success at Revolution for nearly three years."

Fake films help Christian charity

BY LAURA HANNAM
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FIVE thousand fake DVDs seized by the council are to be recycled by a charity.

His Church, a Christian charity, will grind the DVDs into granules which can be sold for recycling or used to provide coatings for pencils, which can be given to schools.

Many of the DVDs were seized as part of the prosecution of Peng Sun, 28, of Milfoil Avenue, Milton Keynes, who sold them on Internet auction websites on a major scale.

Sun, a Chinese national, was sentenced to 20 months in jail at Huntingdon Crown Court on Thursday, January 22, after pleading guilty to breaches of the Trade Marks Act 1994.

He was also ordered to pay a £92,544 confiscation order and will be deported on release.

Some of the DVDs pictured were seized from markets and Mk Council gave His Church several hundred items of counterfeit clothing, from which the charity will remove the fake labels and send them out to third world orphanages.

Fast forward: MK Council Trading Standards officer Steve Rycraft with some the counterfeit DVDs seized from Peng Sun's operation

A positive result for Christmas drink drive campaign

THE percentage of drivers who tested positive for alcohol over the Christmas period has fallen to its lowest for three years.

Figures released by Thames Valley Police following its Christmas drink drive campaign show that 398 were stopped and tested in Milton Keynes between December 1, 2008 and January 1, 2009.

Of those, 46 tested positive for illegal levels of alcohol in their blood.

At just over 11 per cent, it represents an improvement on 2007 when 13 per cent of drivers were positive, and 2006 when nearly 14 per cent were caught drunk at the wheel.

Officers were particularly proactive at crashes in Milton Keynes, breath testing 183 people at 152 collisions indicating that more than one driver was suspected of being drunk.

Superintendent Mick Doyle from Roads Policing said: "These figures show if you are selfish enough to put your life or the lives of others at risk you will be caught."

Offenders face losing their licence for at least 12 months, a six-month prison sentence or a fine of up to £5,000.

A total of 2,928 drivers were breath tested in Thames Valley overall.

Provisional figures show that 95 people lost their lives in collisions in the region in 2008, compared to 117 in 2007.

Firm foots £20k bill for accident

MARKS and Spencer has been fined £20,000 for safety failures that led to a warehouse worker having a toe amputated.

The high street retailer pleaded guilty to breaking health and safety laws at Milton Keynes Magistrates Court on Friday.

The court heard warehouse worker Timothy Payne was using a scissor lift in the M&S warehouse in Sunset Walk, Milton Keynes in March 2007 when the incident occurred.

The scissor lift was ascending from yard level up into the loading bay when Mr Payne's left foot got trapped in a recess.

Mr Payne's foot was crushed and the tip of his left big toe required amputation.

M&S received the maximum fine available at a magistrates court, £20,000, and was ordered to pay prosecution costs of more than £11,000.

During visits made by senior environmental health officers from Milton Keynes Council, it emerged that 'riding' the lift was common practice and management was aware of this failing.

In summing up the magistrate chairwoman Marie Brock stated the company's risk assessment and signage was not good enough.

Although there had been a failure at local level to follow procedures M&S had no previous health and safety prosecution in 100 years trading.

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Town's transition

BY LAURA HANNAM
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A GROUP of volunteers hopes to start a town-wide response to the 'triple crunch' in Wolverton.

A Transition steering group has been set up in the town to raise awareness of how residents can do their bit to fight accelerating climate change, global financial collapse and diminishing energy supplies.

The seven volunteers hope to bring together the town's skills and creativity to find practical solutions to these issues in the local area.

The Transition scheme started in Totnes in Devon and is spreading across the country. This is the first branch to be established in Milton Keynes.

Nicola Dobiecka, steering group member, started her own 'personal transition' with her partner two years ago.

The couple now shop locally, avoid packaging-filled supermarkets, grow their own vegetables or buy them from the Wolverton Farmers Market, reuse and recycle as much as possible and compost their food waste at home.

"We reduced our refuse from putting out a full black bag and a full pink bag every week to only putting out half a black bag a month," she said.

"The first few months of it we had a really tough time actually thinking about where we needed to go to get something as you can go to one place to get everything if you go to the supermarket."

"We questioned things to a level that I know many people will not be willing to do but it was a very interesting and worthwhile project for us and an experience."

"Instead of doom, gloom and fear it is saying we can do something."

The steering group is holding a series of events from now until May to introduce the issues and get the community talking about what it can do.

On Sunday, February 8 a night of film shorts including Carbon Weevils, The Story of Stuff and Rob Newman's The History of Oil will be shown at Madcap Theatre, Creed Street from 7pm.

■ For the full programme visit www.transitionwolverton.co.uk or call 01908 221161.

Chamber holds free enviro expo

WITH the recession biting and ways in which to reduce your carbon footprint at the forefront of most news reports, Milton Keynes and North Bucks Chamber of Commerce is hosting a free exhibition to encourage and help businesses to get to grips with their own environmental responsibilities.

The exhibition coincides with an environmental symposium and is being held at Jurys Inn, Central Milton Keynes this Friday.

There will be over 30 exhibitors giving companies the opportunity to learn about products or services within the environmental sector that can help reduce costs or simply reduce the impact businesses can have on the environment.

The exhibition is free to attend and will be open all day.

The main symposium will be opened by Dr Phyllis Starkey MP.

Speakers include Trafficmaster talking about 'Green Efficiencies for Fleet and Business' and ACS Office Solutions which will discuss the benefits of 'Virtualisation' and the 'WEE directive for IT disposal'. You can register for symposium sessions on the day.

■ For more information on the chamber of commerce Environmental Exhibition visit www.mk-chamber.co.uk or call 01908 259000.

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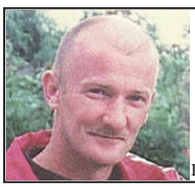

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Teacher does homework for African school

BY LAURA HANNAM
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A DRAMA teacher from Newport Pagnell hopes to build a school and orphanage in Ghana.

Teresa Diamond, from Green Park, is setting up a charity called The Forgotten Children to achieve her dream.

She hopes the project will provide a sanctuary to 200 children orphaned by diseases such as AIDS and typhoid and a free and good quality education to local people.

Teresa, who used to teach at Diamond School of Performing Arts in Newport Pagnell and Leon School in Bletchley, was inspired to start the scheme when she spent two months teaching in a primary school in a small village in the Ashanti region of Ghana in 2005.

"As education has to be paid for in Ghana, we would often see kids who couldn't afford school hanging around the gates," she said.

"These children were desperate for an education and would have done anything to be able to attend a lesson.

"It hit me then how bad the situation was."

She also visited Ghana's capital, Accra, where she was reduced to tears when she saw children, some as young as seven, living on the streets and trying to fend for themselves.

"These children would get money and food by begging or finding scraps thrown out by others," she said.

"Having lost their parents to diseases such as HIV/AIDS and typhoid they now found themselves completely on their own.

> As education has to be paid for in Ghana, we would often see kids who couldn't afford school hanging around the gates, desperate for an education and would have done anything to be able to attend a lesson. It hit me then how bad the situation was **– Former drama teacher Teresa Diamond**

"When I returned home I knew I couldn't slip back into my comfortable life as the haunting pictures were too prominent in my head."

Teresa has been working for two years and has drawn together a committee of ten people from across Milton Keynes, including members of the city's Association of Ghanaians, to try to establish a charity.

After raising £3,000 working with students at Diamond School of Performing Arts, Teresa will be flying out to Ghana in March to view and bid on three plots of land.

She hopes The Forgotten Children will open a school offering free education, including evening classes for adults who were not able to attend school during their childhood.

The school will accommodate its own sporting facilities and a performing arts block offering students in Ghana the same wide choice of curriculum that we see in the UK.

With five acres of land, the children will be encouraged to grow, harvest and sell crops, making the project eventually self sufficient.

She hopes to take British teachers to train local people who would then take over the running of the school.

"We will also be working closely with the local community providing information on diseases such as HIV/AIDS, hepatitis and typhoid, teaching locals how to firstly prevent such illness, spot symptoms and get the correct treatment, " added Teresa.

The committee has applied for charity status and hopes to raise around £45,000 to build the facility.

It has also set up a youth committee to allow young people in Milton Keynes to get involved in the project,

Teresa is calling for volunteers to get involved either on the committees, fundraising, or as tradesmen, teachers, or social workers.

The organisation will be holding two fundraising events in February, including a table top sale with a children's disco and karaoke at Newport Pagnell Youth Club on Sunday, February 8, from 2pm-6pm, and a charity single launch at The Swan Revived Hotel in Newport Pagnell on Friday, February 20, with the official release of Far From Reality and two auctions.

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Teresa Diamond: Setting up a charity called The Forgotten Children

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St Valentine's warning over sexual disease

HEALTH experts are calling on residents across the city to use condoms this Valentine's Day to reduce levels of sexually transmitted infection.

While Milton Keynes has seen decreases in chlamydia, genital warts and gonorrhoea from 2001-2006, there have been marked increases in syphilis and genital herpes.

People often assume no symptoms means no problem but this is not the case with STIs. Many people who have contracted an STI have no symptoms and can unknowingly pass it on. Over 75 per cent of women and half the men who have chlamydia will not have any symptoms.

Dr Patricia Williams, sexual health consultant at MK Hospital

Dr Patricia Williams, sexual health consultant at the hospital, said: "Chlamydia is a very common, highly contagious, sexually transmitted infection; a bacteria that is passed on through unprotected sex. It can cause pelvic inflammatory disease, infertility and ectopic pregnancy in women and testicular pain and arthritis in men if undetected and untreated.

"It's detected by a simple urine test in men and women can take their own swab if they are not keen to be examined by the nurse or doctor. It is easily treated with a one-off course of antibiotics."

Dr Williams added: "We are working hard to improve the health of the local population. But more people need to step forward for sexual health screening to help reduce the number of undiagnosed people in the community."

■ To book an appointment at the Sexual Health Centre at Milton Keynes Hospital call 01908 243860.

Pool plans take nosedive

PLANS for an Olympic-length pool and new school in Wolverton are at risk.

The developers that were due to construct a new building for John Radcliffe have pulled out of the deal.

The project was set to include an entirely new school and community facility fronting onto Stratford Road, with a 50 metre indoor swimming pool and other sports facilities, a new health centre and hundreds of houses.

Growth funding of £9million has been allocated to build the leisure centre, which must be spent by March 2011.

Cllr Hilary Saunders, chairman of Wolverton and Watling Way Pools Trust and the local parish council, said the city is now in danger of losing this funding if the project continues to be delayed.

She has suggested to Milton Keynes Council that the money could be used to renovate and perhaps cover the existing open air pool in Wolverton.

"I am worried that they will spend it somewhere completely different," she said.

Cllr Sam Crooks, cabinet member for finance, said the terms of the funding are very wide and it could be used elsewhere, but discussions are still ongoing to take the current plans forward.

"It remains our goal to get a new school, surgery, leisure facilities and more housing for Wolverton in the foreseeable future," he said. "This is a temporary setback but we're working with Radcliffe School and others to find a way forward."

■ As a result of the delays Wolverton's outdoor pool will open for another year from mid May.

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French	Improvers2	24-Feb-09	Tue	1830-2000
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Mandarin	Beginners	24-Feb-09	Tue	1800-1930
Mandarin	Improvers	24-Feb-09	Tue	1945-2115
Spanish	Beginners	24-Feb-09	Tue	1830-2000
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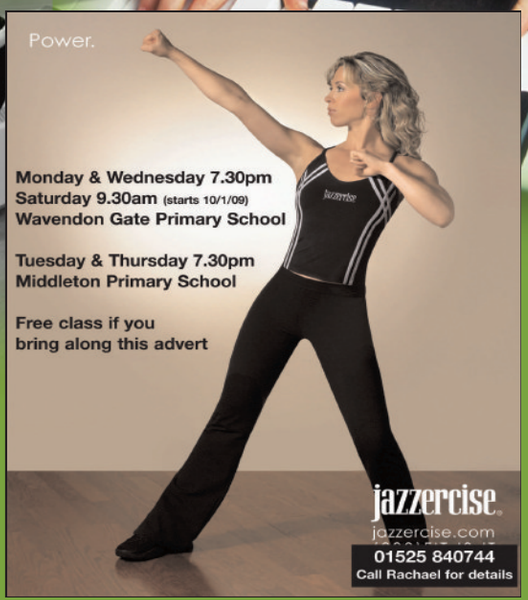

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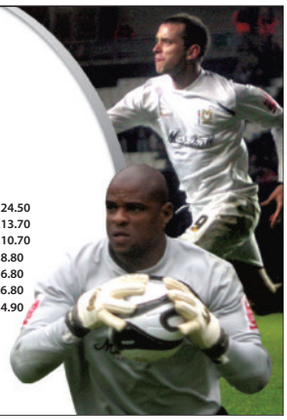

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Panto stars raise cash for blind charity

PETER Pan star Louisa Lytton has been praised for her support of a local chairty during her time in MK.

The star took the time on three separate occasions to support RP Fighting Blindness by collecting and signing autographs after each performance.

Other cast members also supported the cause and the charity raised £589.68 thanks to the stars' help.

Louisa said: "The effect of RP on families is awful and anything we can do to help stop it in future generations has got to be worthwhile."

Join war on scammers

MILTON Keynes Trading Standards is fighting back against scammers

Officers at Milton Keynes Council have joined forces with the Office of Fair Trading to fight against scams which cost the UK an estimated £3.5 billion a year.

As part of the February Scams Awareness Month, officers are asking members of the public to collect any potential scam mailings they have recently received and drop them into designated 'Scamnesty' bins at local libraries and other public areas.

Every year an estimated three million people fall victim to mass marketed scams such as bogus lotteries, deceptive prize draws and sweepstakes, fake psychics and miracle health cures. Many of these scams are sent by post, as well as by e-mail or over the phone, and cause particular harm to the elderly and vulnerable. However, OFT research suggests that fewer than five per cent are reported.

Adrienne Larkin, advice and information manager at MKC Trading Standards, said: "Local residents' help is crucial in uncovering scammers targeting Milton Keynes. Together we will be able to fight fraudsters more effectively and ensure that only reliable businesses operate in the borough."

Designated 'Scamnesty' bins are in the following locations:

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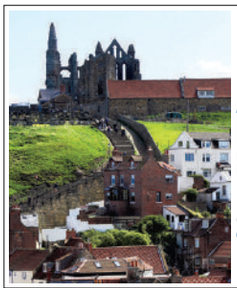

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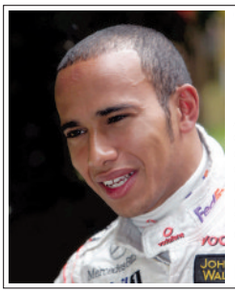

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From Friday

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Ioan Gruffudd, Dakota Blue Richards, Tim Curry

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VICKY CRISTINA BARCELONA (12A)

Rebecca Hall, Scarlett Johansson, Javier Bardem, PenÉlope Cruz, Chris Messina

From Friday

AMERICAN friends – cautious, betrothed Vicky (Hall) and carefree Cristina (Johansson) – arrive in Barcelona. Their holiday is thrown open when they meet painter Juan Antonio (Bardem) and his tempestuous ex-wife, Maria Elena (Cruz).

PUSH

Chris Evans, Dakota Fanning, Camilla Belle, Djimon Hounsou, Maggie Siff

From Friday

THE film revolves around people with an array of incredible powers – movers are able to move things with their will alone. Watchers see the future and Pushers are able to bend you to their will and place thoughts and impulses into your mind.

Taraji P Henson stars as Queenie and Brad Pitt as Benjamin Button

BOLT (PG)

John Travolta, Miley Cyrus

From Friday

DOG Bolt (Travolta) is the star of a TV show in which he has superpowers. Only problem is, he doesn't know it's all pretend.

DOUBT (15)

Meryl Streep, Philip Seymour Hoffman

From Friday

A BATTLE of wills ensues at a Catholic school in 1963 New York, when Sister Aloysius Beauvier (Streep) suspects that new priest Father Flynn (Hoffman) has made indecent advances to an altar boy.

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FILM REVIEW VALKYRIE

I wasn't entirely sure what to expect from Bryan Singer's new film Valkyrie.

Young Bryan directed the Usual Suspects, some episodes of the TV series House and the first two X Men films, all of which are really rather good. More recently though, he directed Superman Returns which is really rather bad.

I was also concerned in that it's one of those films like Titanic where you know what's going to happen in the end because its history.

The history in question here focuses on the Second World War and a group of disgruntled German officers who plot to kill Adolf Hitler, led by Tom Cruise.

Somehow though even though we know the plot is doomed to failure, Singer still manages to create tension and interest and in a 'Sliding Doors' kind of way the film manages to make you think about how very small incidents or pieces of luck can have much bigger consequences.

The Brit supporting cast alone is worth seeing the film for – Kenneth Brannagh, Bill Nighy, Terence Stamp, Tom Wilkinson and Eddie Izzard all do a good job and Cruise isn't half bad although he does grate a bit with that full on all American accent.

The film has its bad points. Singer chooses to depict Cruise and his gang as out-and-out heroes with no shades of grey, and Cruise is almost too famous to take on roles like this where you have to suspend disbelief and accept him as a historical figure.

It's not a bad effort though and its heart is in the right place.

PAUL STEPHENSON

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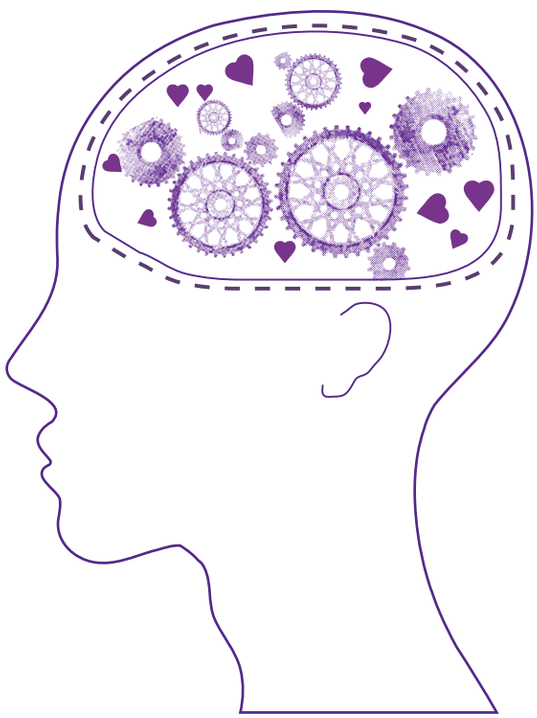

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CLUBS AND PUBS

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Xscape 670976
Thursday selected drinks 90p – everything else £1.50. The Rhythm Room, with DJ Gavin James, plays a commercial party mix while the Ice House spins RnB, hip hop, garage and drum and bass favourites. Over 18s Sunday-Thursday, over 19s Friday, over 20s Saturday. Dress code smart casual.

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Theatre District 239433
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thehub:mk 608643
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Xscape 679875
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LLOYDS NO.1
Theatre District 558905
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Theatre District 241243 info@buddhablue.co.uk
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Spuds U like

GARDEN **LIFE**

A FANTASTIC range of seed potatoes (or tubers) is now available in garden centres.

It's too early to put them in the ground as they must not be exposed to frost, but you can still get a head start to an early crop by planting some tubers in a frost-free location like a greenhouse or light shed.

A potato tub allows you to do just this with the added bonus that you will get an extra big crop in a fairly small space.

Seed potatoes are grouped into different categories depending on when the new potatoes are ready for harvesting.

First earlies, earlies and salad varieties are ideal to grow in tubs. I would recommend the varieties Foremost and Arran Pilot for early varieties and International Kidney (Jersey Royal) and Charlotte for salad varieties.

Once you have stretched out your tub put about 20cm of compost in the bag. Always use fresh compost because it is full of vital nutrients and free of diseases which could affect your crop.

Then place five tubers evenly spaced in the tub, ensure that they are not touching the edge of the tub since that is the coldest place.

Fill the tub with a further 15cm of compost; do not completely fill the tub at the moment. Water the compost lightly and place the tub in a light place protected from frost. From time to time check on your potatoes, water if necessary.

As the potatoes grow, continue to add more compost so that only the tips of the plants are showing.

When the tub is full wait and watch for the potatoes to flower, this usually takes between nine and 12 weeks from sowing.

When they do you can start harvesting beautiful, tasty, fresh potatoes. Use the opening at the bottom of the tub to get at the potatoes and only harvest as many as you need for each meal since this means even more potatoes can develop.

If you only want to grow potatoes in the ground then it is still worth getting down to the garden centre to pick your varieties.

This allows you to 'chit' them before you plant, which will help you achieve an earlier crop.

Place your tubers in a shallow tray, cardboard box or ideally egg cartons using dry newspaper or similar to ensure they do not touch each other.

Place them in a cool, dry, light location. Check regularly and after a few weeks you should notice the tubers sprouting.

February is a good time to ensure you have all you need for the growing season; essentials include seeds, compost, seed trays, propagator, labels and a watering can.

Towards the end of the month onion sets and garlic can be planted provided the soil is well drained – if you have poorly drained soil plant them in a seed tray which can then be stood outdoors. If you haven't already done so then broad beans can also been sown. Cabbages for summer cropping can be sown under glass, as can lettuces, leeks and bulb onions (from seed).

JOBS FOR FEBRUARY:

- Get summer flowering bulbs off to an early start by planting them in pots in a light frost-free location.
- Have some horticultural fleece ready to cover sprouting perennials if a hard frost is forecast.
- Camellias and magnolias don't mind the cold what they don't like is the early morning sunshine defrosting the buds too quickly. Fleece these too so they defrost slowly
- Cover rhubarb crowns with buckets or forcing jars to help promote early pickings. Lift and divide congested clumps.

Liz Thurley is a garden designer and the owner of Roman Way Garden Centre. If you have any questions get in touch at info.romanway@yahoo.co.uk or call 01908 542427

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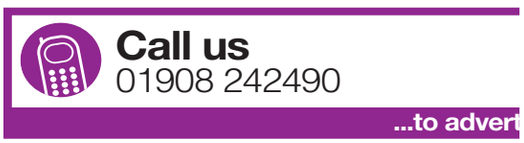

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JACKIE OATES

Friday, February 6. 8:30pm
IMMERSED in traditional music from birth, this busy singer, violinist and rising star of the folk world is worth catching.
Tickets £9.50 in advance, £11.50 on the door

WOOTTON JAZZ NIGHT

Saturday, February 7. 7.30pm
Wootton Upper School & Arts College return to The Stables. The programme will feature Big Band and Soul Control their very own soul band - as well as a host of solo performers and singers.
Tickets £8 (concessions £4)

EL MORENO

Sunday, February 8. 8pm
AN evening of beautiful and exciting Spanish guitar music, blending classical, Latin-American and flamenco styles. The performance includes music by great masters of the past such as Granada and Sevilla by Albeniz, La Maja de Goya by Granados and the lovely Aranjuez Adagio theme by Rodrigo.
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Rising star of the folk world: Jackie Oates

BILLY OCEAN

Wednesday, February 11. 8pm
One of the hardest-working artists on the live stage, Billy Ocean has toured the world, won Grammy awards seen his records go double platinum and over 30 million records
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THE JAMES TAYLOR QUARTET

Thursday, February 12. 8pm
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Go West: guitarist Richard Drummie, right, and singer Peter Cox

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MUSICAL **LIFE**

THIS month Go West are coming east.

And, according to guitarist Richard Drummie, that is great news, because it means the band get to stop by Milton Keynes and play at favoured venue The Stables.

"Yes, we are coming to Milton Keynes, the good old Stables. It's a unique venue for us, there is no other venue like The Stables.

"The whole set up of it - the staging, the audience, it's very intimate."

The tour is called Go West By Request, meaning that, unusually, the audience gets the chance to dictate the set.

"We are getting a list together of about 50 of our songs and when people come in they will be able to say what they want to hear. It means that the set will be different at every venue. It keeps us on our toes. There are a lot of songs people say we don't play, for example people say 'why don't you ever play The King is Dead?' So we are giving them the chance to make sure we do."

With singer Peter Cox, Richard had chart hits including Call Me and We Close Our Eyes in the 1980s.

Recently they have benefited from a resurgence of retro culture, and are due to appear alongside names such as ABC, Nik Kershaw and Rick Astley at stately homes as part of the 'Greatest 80s Party Ever' later this year.

There is even demand from countries such as Australia, New Zealand, the Philippines, China and Japan for Go West to go everywhere on a world tour.

But Richard does not want to be pigeon-holed as a nostalgia band. Because not only were their biggest hits in the 1990s - namely the King of Wishful Thinking from the Pretty Woman soundtrack - but they are still penning and playing tunes, as their new album, Futurenow, proves.

The band, named 'Best British Newcomer' at the 1986 BRIT awards, are oldtimers when it comes to writing hits.

It was actually the lure of making new music that reunited Drummie and Cox, bringing them back into the studio after splitting in 1993 - at the height of their success.

"Sometimes we just sit there strumming and hitting things and it makes a noise we like. It is about 50/50 in terms of songwriting. It works for us."

But with the new album and the new tour the band are all smiles, especially when they are on stage.

"Anyone who's seen us live will know I can't stop grinning. I've tried to practice at home trying to look cool, but when we play I'm laughing my head off because I'm always having a ball."

CONCERT **LIFE**

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9. CHICKEN TIKKA MASSALA Tomato, Cheese, Chicken Tikka, Onions, Pepper	10.30	12.00	14.00	17.00
10. MEAT LOVERS Tomato, Cheese, Double Salami, double Pepperoni, Double Ham, Double Beef	12.00	14.00	16.00	19.00
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13. PEPPERONI FEAST Double Mozzarella, Double Pepperoni	9.80	11.00	13.00	16.00

SIDE ORDERS

French Fries	1.20
Coleslaw	1.40
Garlic Bread	1.50
Garlic Bread with Mozzarella Topping	2.50
Prawn Cocktail	2.70
Garlic Mushrooms	1.70
Salad	1.50
Chicken Dippers (6pcs)	3.00
Combo Chicken Dipper (6pcs) Potato Wedges & 3 Dips	4.90
Potato Wedges	2.00
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BBQ Chicken Wings (6pcs) & Dip	3.50
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Onion Rings (10pcs)	2.00
NEW BBQ Spare Ribs	4.50

DESSERTS

Cheesecake	1.50
Gateaux	1.50
Ice Cream Ben & Jerry's ask for flavours	3.95
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LAMB DONNER Served with fresh naan	4.50	5.00
SEEK KEBAB Served with fresh naan	3.50	4.00
MIXED CHICKEN & LAMB Served with fresh naan	--	5.00
CHICKEN DONNA Served with fresh naan	4.50	--

TOPPINGS

EXTRA TOPPINGS: Onion, Muchroom, Sweetcorn, Green Chilli, Jalepeno, Pineapple, Tomato, Chicken Tikka, Plain Chicken, Pepperoni, Beef, Tuna, Anchovies & Prawns.

	10"	12"	15"
EXTRA TOPPINGS	0.70	0.90	1.00
STUFFED CRUST	0.90	1.20	1.90
CHEESE PEPPERONI CRUST	1.00	1.30	2.00

BURGERS

VEGGIE BURGER	2.50
SPICY BEAN BURGER	2.50
FISH BURGER	2.50
CHICKEN FILLET BURGER	2.50
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PASTA

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MEAT LASAGNE Served with Garlic Bread	£3.95
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PITTA BREAD	0.50
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Hot Stuff

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Family Favourites

Pepperoni Plus, Double Pepperoni, Mushrooms & Onions	£8.95	£11.95	£13.95
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Meaty One Ham, Pepperoni, Beef, Spicy Pork	£8.95	£11.95	£13.95
Sea Food Prawns, Anchovies, Tuna & Fresh Tomato	£8.95	£11.95	£13.95
Free Choice Any 4 toppings of your choice	£8.95	£11.95	£13.95
Late Breakfast Smokey Sausage, Bacon, Salami & Fried Onion	£8.95	£11.95	£13.95

GoGo Special

Green Peppers, Mushrooms, Onions, Ham, Beef & Pepperoni	£9.95	£12.95	£14.95
Alligator Pepperoni, lamb, Beef, Bacon, Garlic Sausage, Salami	£9.95	£12.95	£14.95
Meatball Feast BBQ Sauce, Meatballs, Pepperoni, Bacon, Garlic Sausage, Smokey Sausage	£9.95	£12.95	£14.95

Stuffed Edge Surcharges

Stuffed Edge with Cheese/with cheese & Pepperoni/ with Garlic & Herbs	£1.00	£1.20	£1.40

Extra Toppings

Create your own pizza by using a Cheese and Tomato as a base then add your choice of toppings from the following £0.90 £1.00 £1.10

Meat Toppings	Chicken Toppings	Seafood Toppings	Vegetable Toppings
Pepperoni, Salami	Tandoori Chicken	Tuna	Pineapple, Mushrooms,
Garlic Sausage	Chinese Chicken	Anchovies	Sweetcorn, Green Peppers
Smokey Sausage	Plain Chicken	Prawns	Red peppers, Onions,
Ham, Spicy Pork	Mexican Chicken		Fresh Tomato, Green Chillies
Beef			Aubergine, Fresh Garlic,
			Jalapeno peppers, Black
			Olives, Spinach, Broccoli

Starters

Garlic Bread (4pcs)	£1.70	With Cheese (4pcs)	£2.20
Cheesy Garlic Pizza Bread (7")	£3.50	Breaded Mozzarella Sticks (8pcs)	£3.95
Potato Twisters (Per Portion)	£2.95	Potato Wedges (Per Portion)	£2.95
Potato Wedges (Per Portion)	£2.95	Potato Skins (5pcs) with cheese	£3.95
Potato Skins (5pcs) with cheese	£4.95	Jalapeno Peppers Cream cheese (6pcs)	£3.95
Onion Rings (10 rings)	£2.50		
Dips, garlic & Mayonnaise, BBQ, Chilli, Sour Cream, Garlic & Herb			£0.30
Spicy Chicken Wings (8pcs)	£3.95	BBQ Wings (8pcs)	£3.95
Chicken Nuggets (6pcs)	£2.50	Southern Fried Mr Chicken (6pcs)	£3.95
BBQ Ribs (1.2 rack)	£3.95		

Pasta

Spaghetti Bolognese	£4.95	Vegetable Lasagne	£4.95
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Salad

Salad Bar Onion, lettuce, fresh tomato, cucumber, coleslaw, ham, sweetcorn, green peppers, olives, cheese, tuna, chicken			£3.50
Green Salad	£2.50	Coleslaw	£1.50

Ice Cream

Haagen Daas 500ml, Vanilla, Choc Chips, Strawberry & Cream, Cookies & Cream, Baileys & Cream	£3.95
House Ice Cream, Dairy, Strawberry, Chocolate, Caramel Coffee	£4.95

Desserts

Tennessee Toffee Pie	£2.50	Chocolate Fudge Cake	£2.50
Strawberry Cheese Cake	£2.50	Banoffi Pie	£2.50

Cold Drinks

Coke, 7-UP, Fanta, Diet Coke (Can)	£0.70	Bottle	£1.70

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Lunchtime Special 11.30 - 4.30 Mon - Thurs One Cheese & Tomato Pizza with a choice of 3 toppings & 4 pcs Garlic bread. Medium £6.00 (plus one can of drink) - Large £8.00 (plus two cans of drink)

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TELEVISION WEEK

IN the first of two programmes, **Wednesday, BBC2, 9pm,** 60-year-old author Terry Pratchett discusses how he has coped in the past year since being diagnosed with early-onset Alzheimer's.

As he confronts an uncertain future and faces living in a world without words, he explores cutting-edge science and treatments, and reveals how the degenerative disease is already affecting both his personal and public life.

10 Years Younger: The Challenge, **Thursday, 8pm, Channel 4** is a new series of the popular makeover show, presented by Myleene Klass.

Cleaning company manager Mary from Manchester goes under the knife in a bid to reverse a lifetime of sunbeds and smoking.

Plus, a review of the latest fashion trends, celebrity looks and treatments to turn back the clock

Piers Morgan fresh from telling us about Dubai last week, turns his attentions to Monte Carlo this **Thursday, ITV1, 9pm.**

The broadcaster travels to the tax haven of Monte Carlo, a district of Monaco that has more billionaires per square mile than anywhere else in the world.

Terry Pratchett: Coping with Alzheimer's disease

He visits the world-renowned casino and meets some of the area's famous residents.

He chats to the ruler of the sovereign state Prince Albert, goes for a drive with recently retired Formula One driver David Coulthard and is entertained on board a yacht by Harrods owner Mohamed Al-Fayed.

The stars will be out in force for The British Academy Film Awards 2009, **Sunday, BBC2, 8pm.**

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SIMON DARNELL

THINKING OF YOU

Katy Perry

TIME for the difficult third single, and right on cue, Katy Perry issues the seemingly contractually obligated ballad.

Ever get the feeling that some of these people release slow songs purely because they feel they have to, rather than when they have a decent song to sing?

Anyway, this time round she's singing about driving away the Best Thing That's Ever Happened To Her TM, boo hoo. You'd need a heart of stone not to feel her pain, apparently. Oh well. Next!

EVERYTIME WE TOUCH

David Guetta

IN Reservoir Dogs, Mr Orange is given an anecdote to memorise. It consists of four pages of text which he has to learn inside and out if he's to impress his would-be employer.

He practices and practises and as he does so the story becomes clearer and clearer in his head and on the screen.

He knows it so well that he can side-track a little bit and still not lose his place with the narrative, and he's so successful that he ends up getting the job, and that's where it all goes wrong.

You see, the prospects for career advancement in this particular field are slim to say the least and our protagonist ends up lying in a pool of blood on the floor of a warehouse.

Now, if he'd decided not to bother learning his lines, he wouldn't have got the job and he wouldn't have got shot whilst doing the job that he didn't get.

That's the mindset that seems to have influenced the creation of this song – no, not that if you put the time and effort into creating a decent song you'll end up getting shot, although to be fair that would certainly explain the existence of at least half the Top 40 if it were true.

No, the mindset seems to be that if you don't put the time and effort in everything will be just fine.

Let me present Exhibit A – the melody for Everytime We Touch. This song has possibly one of the most basic tunes I've ever heard.

Actually, it goes far beyond that. Let's say that your average keyboard has 88 keys, just for the sake of argument, during the recording of this song, David Guetta's keyboard had 84 keys gathering dust and only four being employed for their intended purpose.

Now, I know what you're thinking. 'You can do an awful lot with just four notes', that's what you're thinking.

After all, Columbo achieved a staggering cases to arrests ratio with the aid of just one eye and Reliant Robins get along with only three wheels, but this is different.

The first note is played five times, the second note is played six times, the third note five, the fourth six and then the whole cycle repeats until the end. That's not quite as tricky as visiting a murderer at his office and telling him your wife thinks he's terrific, is it?

Hell, even I could play this song and I have as much musical expertise as a box of Shreddies.

To be honest with you though, I suppose really I ought to be thanking Mr Guetta for his efforts, after all it isn't often that a song comes along that can be played by anybody possessing one working finger.

This song proves beyond all doubt that absolutely anybody can come up with a hit single, regardless of ability.

He's done better than this, and he'll go on to do better songs than this again, but if you really want to hear a song stripped down almost as far as it can possibly go, his current effort's set the bar to a whole new level.

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2nd June Stockholm - Sweden
3rd June Helsinki - Finland
4/5th June St Petersburg - Russia
6th June Tallinn - Estonia
9th June Oslo - Norway
10th June Kristiansand - Norway
12th June Southampton

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Itinerary
16th August Southampton
19th August Cadiz - Spain
21st August Barcelona - Spain
22nd August Cannes - France
23rd August Florence/Pisa - Italy
24th August Rome - Italy
26th August Cartagena - Spain
27th August - Gibraltar
12th June Southampton

Grade	Price
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Balcony	From £2279
Singles	From £2369

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18th September 2009, 24 Nights

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Itinerary
18th September Southampton
25th September - New York
27th September Newport - Rhode Island
28th September Boston - Massachusetts
29th September Portland - Maine
30th September Bar Harbor - Maine
1st October Saint John - New Brunswick
2nd October Halifax - Nova Scotia
4th October Quebec City - Quebec
7th October St Johns - Newfoundland
12th October Southampton

Grade	Price
Inside	From £2819
Outside	From £3209
Balcony	From £4129
Singles	From £4933

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Queen Victoria From £1169

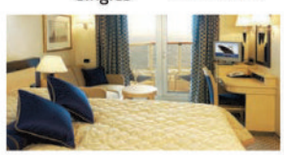
Canary Islands in Style

23rd November 2009, 12 Nights

A winter visit to the Canary Island is always a welcome break especially if you arrive in style aboard the Queen Victoria. Enjoy the beauty of Madeira, explore the well-known Canaries and see the magnificent cathedral in Santiago de Compostella.

Itinerary
23rd November Southampton
26th November Funchal - Madiera
27th November Santa Cruz - La Palma
28th November Santa Cruz - Tenerife
29th November La Palma - Gran Canaria
30th November Lanzarote - Canary Island
2nd December Lisbon - Portugal
3rd December Vigo - Spain
5th December Southampton

Grade	Price
Inside	From £1169
Outside	From £1339
Balcony	From £1629
Singles	From £2046



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Itinerary
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Day 4 Malaga - Spain
Day 5 Cartegena - Spain
Day 6 Barcelona - Spain
Day 7 Monte Carlo - Monaco
Day 8 Rome - Italy
Day 9 Naples - Italy
Day 10 Ajaccio - Corsica
Day 11 - At Sea
Day 12 - Gibraltar
Day 13/14 - At Sea

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4th September Oslo - Norway
6th September Southampton

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Widower and funfair owner Levi Lee (Essex) is struggling to fend off the unwelcome attentions of an alluring and attractive divorcee while trying to keep up with the ins and outs of his son's tangled love life and lofty ambitions.

Includes his classic hits A Winter's Tale, Hold Me Close, Gonna Make You a Star and Silver Dream Machine.

MEET SPONGEBOB SQUAREPANTS

How would you like to meet SpongeBob SquarePants, international star of the screen, and his zany pals?

THE lovable sea sponge, will be making a splash in at Milton Keynes Theatre from February 18-21 in live action show, SpongeBob SquarePants: The Sponge Who Could Fly! And we've got two family tickets (terms and conditions apply) and backstage passes to meet SpongeBob, best starfish buddy Patrick and all their fun friends from Bikini Bottom.

Find the hidden words in the grid (words are placed horizontally, vertically and diagonally) One word is missing from the grid. All you need to do is tell us what this word is.

Soak up the fun and book your tickets for this exciting live show now by calling Milton Keynes Theatre Box Office 0870 060 6652 (bkg fee) or visit www.ambassadortickets.com/miltonkeynes.

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DAILY LIFE

SATURDAY

RACE Night in aid of the Friends of Willen Hospice, Bletchley Masonic Centre. Bar opens at 6.30pm, first race is at 7.30pm. Admission £10 includes a fish/chicken and chips supper.
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SUNDAY

HOT For Teacher, Woughton Leisure Centre. Live band in the theatre at lunchtime (1pm), Free entry, families welcome.

EASY Riders – a 12-mile cycle ride looking at the built heritage in the south of Milton Keynes. Meet at South Willen Lake near the miniature railway. 10.30am-12.30pm. Free.

MUSICAL Milestones. Illustrated Talk on Haydn, MK City Church. 7.45pm. Adrian Boynton begins a series of talks in his Haydn Bicentenary Celebration. Refreshments and discussion. Admission £3.50 (student £1) at the door.

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Theatre of Widdershins

Saturday, February 7. 2.30pm

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Theatre of Widdershins have taken this Grimm tale right back to its dark roots. This show promises plenty of body, volume and loads of highlights.

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COUNT ARTHUR STRONG – THE MAN BEHIND THE SMILE

Thursday, February 12 at 7.30pm

FRESH from the continued success of his BBC Radio 4 comedy series and recent run at the 2008 Edinburgh Festival Fringe, Count Arthur Strong, showbiz legend and raconteur, reminds us just what we've been missing since his last television series, The Robin Hood Club' was axed in 1960 something.

Steve Delaney created Count Arthur Strong in the 80s while he was still a drama student.

He revived the character in the late 90s for the Fringe, then promptly retired from all other performing roles with the realisation that Arthur was his destiny.

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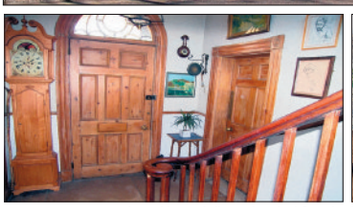
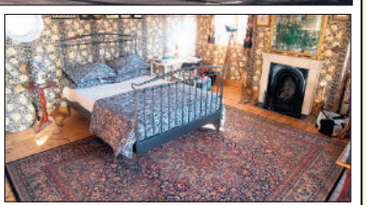
Loughton — £550,000

Enviably located in 'Snaith Crescent' Loughton this property briefly comprises:

* Five bedrooms * 3/4 reception rooms *private driveway *front and rear gardens and a highly desirable location.

Fenny Stratford — £500,000

An exciting and vibrant detached Georgian Townhouse in the heart of Fenny Stratford.

*Vast accommodation over 3 floors * Two bedroom self contained with a lounge, study, kitchen and cloakroom *Main house four receptions * Upstairs there are 5 bedrooms and 3 bathrooms* Fantastic garaging and workshop complex *Double garage and storage area *2 distinct garden areas* Substantial parking with private driveway.

Furzton Lake — O.I.O £600,000

An impressive five bedroom detached residence benefiting from an elevated position looking down onto Furzton Lake.

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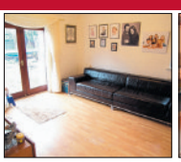
Shenley Lodge — £425,000



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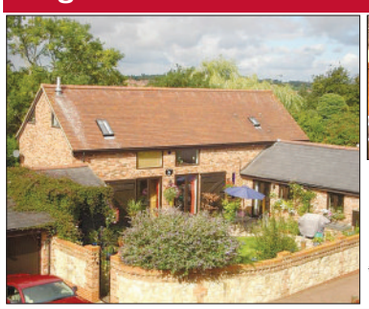
Loughton — Fixed Price £475,000



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* Lounge
* Dining Room
* Kitchen
* Bathroom
* Garage
* Gardens

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* Kitchen
* Dining Room
* Lounge
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* Gardens

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* Lounge
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* Bathroom
* Garden

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* Kitchen
* Lounge/Diner
* Off Road Parking
* Added £4,000 Premium

Old Farm Park £49,500

* Two/Three Bedroom Property
* Entrance Hall
* Downstairs Bedroom
* Lounge/Diner
* Kitchen
* Bathroom
* Off Road Parking
* Gardens

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Downs Barn Guide Price £130,000

* Two Bedroom Property
* Semi-Detached
* Double Glazing
* Gas Central Heating
* Kitchen/Diner
* Lounge
* Gardens
* Off Road Parking

Monkston OIEO £175,000

* Three Bedroom Property
* Semi-Detached
* Kitchen
* Lounge
* Conservatory
* En-Suite to Master
* Gardens
* Garage

Neath Hill £174,995

* Three Bedroom Property
* Semi-Detached
* Gas to Radiator Heating
* Double Glazing
* Lounge/Dining Room
* Kitchen
* Gardens
* Garage

Oldbrook £59,995

* Two Bedroom Flat
* Ground Floor
* In Our Opinion In Very Good Condition
* Double Glazing
* Gas to Radiator Heating
* Bathroom
* Garden
* Off Road Parking

Great LinfordOIEO £275,000

* 4/5 Spacious Detached Property
* Central Heating
* Separate Reception Rooms
* Utility
* En-Suite to Master Bedroom
* Garage
* Gardens
* Call to view 01908 678151

Willen OIEO £134,995

* Two Bedroom Link-Detached Property
* Entrance Hall
* Lounge/Diner
* Kitchen
* Bathroom
* Carport
* Gardens
* MAKE AN OFFER!

Bradwell OIEO £139,995

* Four Bedroom Property
* Dining Room
* Kitchen
* Lounge
* Bathroom
* Gardens
* Off Road Parking
* Call to view on 01908 678151!

Great Holm £250,000

* Four Bedroom Property
* Kitchen/Breakfast Room
* Lounge
* Dining Room
* Study
* En-Suite to Master Bedroom
* Garden
* Detached Double Garage

Blakelands £224,995

* Two/three bedroom detached bungalow
* Off road parking
* Garage and gardens
* Central heating
* Double glazing
* Refitted kitchen breakfast room
* Refitted four piece bathroom.

Pennyland £190,000

* Three Bedroom Property
* Link-Detached
* Entrance Hall
* Downstairs Cloakroom
* Three Reception Rooms
* Games Room
* Two Double Bedrooms
* Family Bathroom

Shenley Church End Guide Price £155,000

* Three Bedroom Property
* Entrance Hall
* Downstairs Cloakroom
* Kitchen
* Lounge/Diner
* Family Bathroom
* Allocated Parking
* Call to view on 01908 678151!

Coffee Hall OIEO £125,000

* Two bedroom Terraced house
* Gas to radiator heating and double glazing
* Entrance hall
* Lounge
* Kitchen/diner
* First floor landing
* Bathroom
* Gardens

WANTED!
Mr T urgently requires a 4 bed in Shenley Church End. Call 01908 678151.

WANTED!
Dr R urgently looking for a 4 bed in Tattenhoe. Call 01908 678151.

WANTED!
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Westcroft

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Whalley Drive £199,995

* Four Bedrooms
* Detached
* Central Heating
* Double Glazing
* Seperate Reception Rooms
* Conservatory
* Garage
* Gardens

Barleyhurst £125,000

* Two Bedrooms
* Mid Terrace
* Entrance Porch
* Lounge
* Kitchen/Diner
* Bathroom
* Gardens
* Allocated Parking

Furzton £179,995

* Three Bedroom Detached Property
* Lounge/Diner
* Kitchen
* Conservatory
* Family Bathroom
* Front & Rear Gardens
* Driveway providing ORP
* Single Garage

Oakhill OIEO £189,995

* Four Bedroom Townhouse
* In Our Opinion "Well Presented"
* Open Plan Living Area
* Conservatory
* Master Bedroom with En-Suite
* Front & Rear Gardens
* Garage
* Call to view on 01908 524456!

'Rivers' £117,500

* Two Bedrooms
* Terraced Property
* Central Heating
* Lounge
* Kitchen
* Dining Room
* Bathroom
* Gardens

West Bletchley £395,000

* Five Bedrooms
* Detached Property
* Seperate Reception Rooms
* Downstairs Cloakroom
* Study
* Conservatory
* Two En-suites
* Double Garage

Shenley Lodge £199,995

* Three Bedroom Property
* Detached
* Kitchen & Lounge
* Conservatory
* Utility & Cloakroom
* Rear Garden
* Driveway providing ORP
* Garage

Westcroft OIRO £194,995

* Three Bedroom Detached Property
* Three Double Bedrooms
* Seperate Reception Rooms
* Downstairs Cloakroom
* Lounge & Dining Room
* Master Bedroom with En-Suite
* Gardens
* Driveway leading to Single Garage

Simpson OIEO £100,000

* Two Bedrooms
* First Floor Apartment
* Double Glazing
* Kitchen
* Lounge
* Bathroom
* Allocated Parking
* Communal Gardens

Woburn Sands £100,000

* Two Bedrooms
* First Floor Flat
* Lounge/Diner
* Kitchen
* Shower Room
* Communal Gardens
* Allocated Parking

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Newton LongvilleGuide Price £140,000

* Three Bedrooms
* Semi-detached
* Central Heating
* Double Glazing
* Lounge/Diner
* Kitchen
* Bathroom
* Gardens

Emerson Valley £99,995

* One Bedroom Property
* Central Heating
* Double Glazing
* Kitchen
* Lounge
* Family Bathroom
* A Viewing is a must!

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New Bradwell £230,000

*Three Bedrooms *Semi-Detached
*Rear Garden in excess of 500ft *Double Glazing
*Kitchen/Diner *Refitted Bathroom
*Conservatory *Loft Conversion
*Internal Viewing is highly recommended!

New Bradwell £129,995

*Two Bedrooms *End of Terrace
*Lounge/Diner *Kitchen
*Bathroom *Rear Garden
*Internal Viewing is highly recommended to appreciate quality of living space!

Hanslope Offers Over £173,000

* Well Presented * Extended
* Two Bedroom
* End of Terrace Home
* Conservatory
* Field Views and Off Road Parking
* Must Be Viewed!

Stony Stratford £199,995

* Very Well Presented
* Three Bedroom
* Victorian Terrace Home
* Refitted Kitchen * Refitted Bathroom
* No Upper Chain
* Must Be Viewed!

Wolverton £139,995

*Three Bedrooms *Mid-Terrace
*Kitchen *Lounge/Diner
*Refitted Bathroom *Conservatory
*Front & Rear Gardens *Garage
*Call 01908 312623 to arrange a viewing today!

Wolverton £199,995

* Four bedrooms * Spacious living accommodation
* Extended semi detached 1930s property
* Refitted kitchen * Refitted bathroom
* Conservatory * Ensuite
* Front & rear gardens * Off road parking

Hartwell £177,500

* Well Presented
* Three Bedroom
* Semi Detached Home
* Conservatory * Large Garden
* Off Road Parking
* Must Be Viewed!

Hanslope £179,995

* Three Bedroom
* Semi Detached Home
* Double Glazing
* Conservatory and Garage
* Viewing Recommended

Wolverton £137,500

*Three Bedrooms *Mid-Terrace
*Gas to Radiator Heating *Double Glazing
*Lounge *Kitchen
*Upstairs Bathroom *Front & Rear Gardens
*Call Taylors Wolverton to arrange viewing!

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Deanshanger £199,995

* Three/Four Bedroom
* Detached Property
* Gas To Radiator Heating
* Cloakroom
* Garage and Garden
* Must Be Viewed!

Old Stratford O.I.E.O. £310,000

* Spacious * Four Bedroom
* Detached Home
* Three Reception Rooms
* En-Suite * Double Garage
* Viewing Recommended

Wolverton Mill £159,995

*Three Bedrooms *Three Storey Townhouse
*Kitchen *Lounge/Diner
*Rear Garden *Garage
*Ensuite to Master *NO UPPER CHAIN!

Stony StratfordGuide Price £270,000

* Well Presented
* Four Double Bedroom
* Detached Property
* On a No Through Road
* Refitted Kitchen * Utility Room
* Refitted Bathroom * No Upper Chain
* Viewing Recommended

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* Lounge * 01908 611966

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* Three bedrooms * Semi detached
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* Workshop area * Single garage
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* Double glazing * Conservatory
* Landscaped rear garden * 01908 611966

Astwood £224,995

* Beautifully presented * Extended character cottage
* Downstairs cloakroom * Open fireplaces
* Separate receptions * Conservatory
* Front and rear gardens * Driveway* Off road parking * 01234 713333

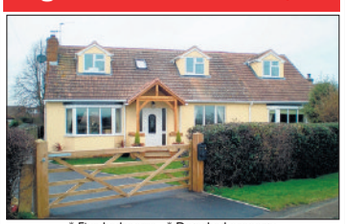
Newport Pagnell £249,995

* Detached house * Four bedrooms
* Separate Reception Rooms * En-Suite Bathroom
* Garage * Front and Rear Gardens
* 01908 611966

Stoke Goldington £274,950

* Four bedrooms * Detached home
* Very well presented * Double glazing
* Gas to radiator heating * Front & rear gardens
* Single garage * Carport
* 01234 713333

Cogenhoe £429,950



* Five bedrooms * Detached property
* Separate receptions * Double glazing
* Gas to radiator heating * Downstairs cloakroom
* Ensuite to bedroom one * Front & rear gardens
* Driveway offering off road parking * Detached double garage
* 01234 713333

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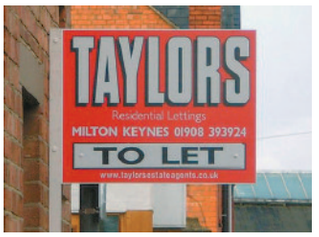

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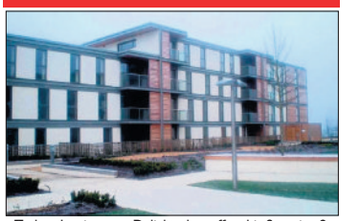
Central Milton Keynes £995pcm



Taylors Lettings are Delighted to offer this Stunning 2 Bedroom 5th floor apartment, Situated in the much sought after 'Vizion' development in Central Milton Keynes. The property is Furnished and available immediately. Please call the lettings team to arrange a viewing appointment on 01908 393924.

Middleton £3,500

Taylors Lettings are Delighted to offer this Superb 6 Bedroom Detached Executive Home for rent, The property is located in the highly desirable location of Middleton and boasts 6 Double bedrooms, 3 Reception rooms, 4 Bathrooms and a Large Family Kitchen with Breakfast Bar and Utility area. The property sits on a generous plot with gardens and extensive decked areas, and includes a double garage and parking with electronic secure gates to the front of the property. This property must be seen to be fully appreciated, Please call the lettings team to arrange a viewing appointment. 01908 393924

Wolverton Mill £1,395pcm

Taylors Residential Lettings are delighted to offer this four bedroom property, situated in the newly built up area of Wolverton Mill. The property is unfurnished and available from end of August 2008.

Monkston £1,395pcm

Taylors Lettings are delighted to offer this four bedroom detached property situated on the East side of Milton Keynes in the popular area of Monkston. The property is close to local amenities and good school catchments. This property is available immediately unfurnished! Must be viewed!

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Monkston £1,400pcm

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Central Milton Keynes £900pcm

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Shenley Lodge £1,750

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THE HUB £950pcm

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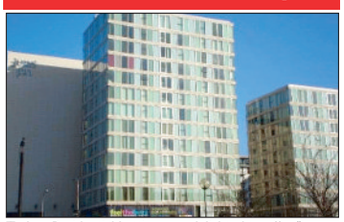
Broughton £750pcm

Taylors Residential Lettings are delighted to offer this newly built two bedroom property, situated in the popular location of Broughton. The property is available now. Furniture is optional. Must be seen!

Furzton Lane £1,795

Taylors Lettings are delighted to offer this 'Stunning' 5 Bedroom Detached Property, Situated in the Much sought after 'Furzton Lake' area of Milton Keynes. The property is unfurnished and available from January 2009. Please call the Lettings team to arrange a viewing appointment on 01908 393924

THE HUB £900pcm



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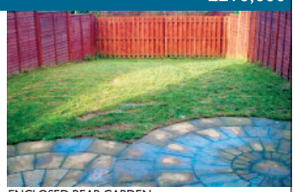
MONKSTON £210,000



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FRONT & REAR GARDENS
ALLOCATED PARKING
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SEPARATE RECEPTION ROOMS
MASTER BEDROOM WITH EN-SUITE
ENCLOSED REAR GARDEN
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TWO BEDROOM FIRST FLOOR MAISONETTE
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SEPARATE RECEPTION ROOMS
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ENCLOSED REAR GARDEN
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OLNEY Guide Price £225,000

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SEPARATE RECEPTION ROOMS
KITCHEN/BREAKFAST ROOM WITH APPLIANCES
GARAGE AND GARDENS
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WOLLASTON £179,995

REDUCED

COTTAGE STYLE STONE BUILT PROPERTY
KITCHEN/DINING ROOM
DOWNSTAIRS CLOAKROOM
THREE BEDROOMS
EN SUITE TO MASTER BEDROOM
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CHICHELEY £299,995

NEW

EXTENDED FOUR BEDROOM PROPERTY
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DOWNSTAIRS WET ROOM
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- Off Road Parking
- Kitchen & Utility Room
- Separate lounge
- Rarely Available

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- Semi Detached
- 4 Bedrooms
- 2 Reception Rooms
- Kitchen/Breakfast room

60 Malverton Drive, Fullers Slade MK11 2AE

We hereby give notice that an offer of £125,000 subject to contract, has been received for the above property. In the event of there being no better offer received at this office within seven days of the date of publication of this notice, the property accordingly will be sold at the price of £125,000.

Far Bletchley **£144,995**

- 3 Bedroom Semi Detached
- No Upper Chain
- Off Road Parking
- Keys In Office !

Crownhill **£60,000**

- 50% Shared Ownership
- Double Bedroom
- Garden
- Parking

Westcroft **£144,950**

- Three Bedrooms
- Kitchen with Integrated appliance
- Ensuite
- No Upper Chain

Stony Stratford **£199,995**

- Immaculate 2 Bed
- Lounge/Diner
- Kitchen/Breakfast Room
- Off Road Parking

Pottersbury **POA**

- Character Stone Cottage
- Large Lounge
- Large Conservatory
- 3 Double Bedrooms

Bletchley **£144,995**

- 3 Bedroom End Terrace
- No Upper Chain
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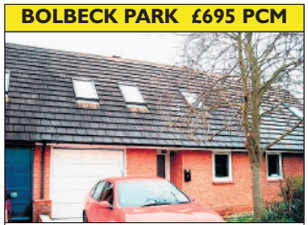
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A DIFFERENT take on traditional speed dating is being adopted by the business community just in time for St Valentine's Day.

Connexions:MK, the young people's advice and support service, is running an innovative job and training matching service called 'speed matching' on Wednesday, February 11 at 2pm at Jurys Inn in Milton Keynes.

Free to all local businesses and training providers taking part, it works in the same way as speed dating with a series of three minute interviews with young people who are currently looking for jobs or training.

They can learn about opportunities available while employers and training providers can get to know a little about the jobseekers themselves before deciding whether to go on to formal interviews.

This is the third time that the project has been run by Connexions in Milton Keynes, after two previous successful events on St Valentine's Day in 2007 and 2008.

Peter Wong, Connexions:MK manager, said: "The speed-matching event enables local companies to arrange a further chat or formal interview with young people while giving young people the chance to see if they would like to find out more information about a company."

A key aim for Connexions is to reduce the number of young people aged 16-18 years not in education, employment or training.

■ If you are an employer or training provider and are interested in taking part in the speed-matching, please contact Sue Richards at Connexions:MK on 01908 398300 or e-mail sue.richards@prospects.co.uk

Theatre takes on new role

New learning programme to mirror sports initiative and engage with youngsters

MILTON Keynes Theatre has been chosen as the first arts venue in the country to take part in a new learning programme.

The pilot scheme will feature 28 pupils from local schools in Milton Keynes in Partnership with the Department for Children, Schools and Families (DCSF).

The ten week pilot has been developed in partnership with the MK Dons.

Working with the Dons, their existing Playing for Success centre at stadiummk and Milton Keynes Council, the theatre will trial a new 'satellite' centre based at the theatre to use performing arts in a similar way to that which football has to engage with young people.

The innovative new trial will be called Performing for Success.

Playing for success has been running through partnerships with sports centres and the DCSF across the UK since 1997, taking children, normally aged between 10 and 14 who are at risk of underachieving, into a new stimulating working environment and focussing on the key skills of numeracy, literacy and ICT through the medium of sports.

The Performing for Success trial at Milton Keynes Theatre will see local pupils visiting twice a week for 10 weeks and will include a theatre tour, costume design, Oscar speech writing, mask making and other unique sessions designed to include embedded numeracy, literacy and ICT.

Jodie Gibson, creative learning manager at Milton Keynes Theatre said: 'We're thrilled to be housing the country's first Performing for Success Learning Centre, delivering what we hope will be a challenging, inspiring, high quality programme that captures the imagination of all those involved. The positive impact on learning for pupils engaged in the established sports model has been proven and we are determined that the cross-over into a cultural setting will similarly engage and motivate young people and become just as successful."

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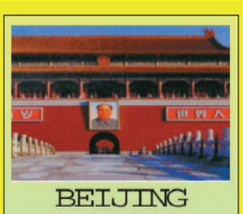

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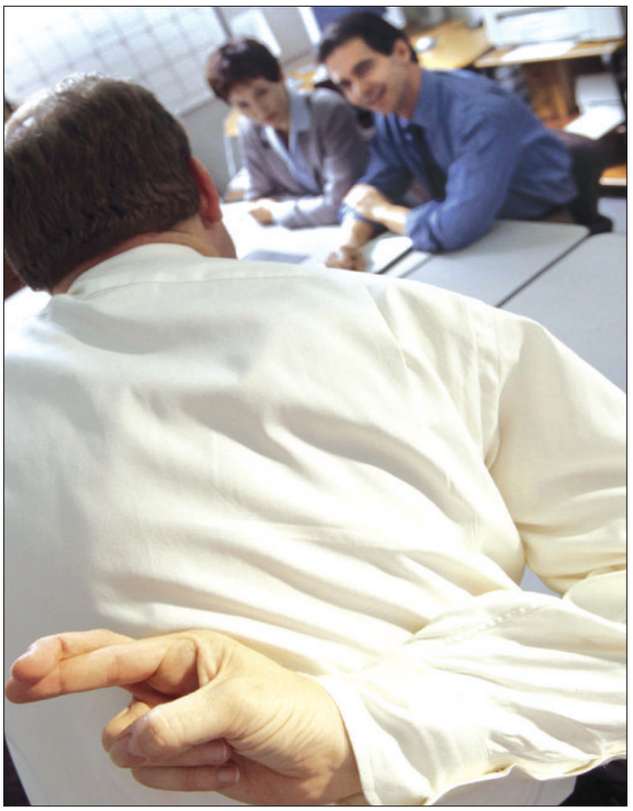

SO its official, we are in a recession.

And it seems that as a result three times as many people are just focusing on keeping their job in 2009 rather than aiming for a promotion, according to a new survey.

The probe by Currencies Direct, a leading foreign exchange provider, reveals that more than a third of those in full-time employment (36 per cent) are making a resolution to hang on to the job they've got, compared with just ten per cent who have set their sights on climbing the career ladder.

Jose Ivars-Lopez, head of private foreign exchange at Currencies Direct said: "This snapshot of employment sentiment offers a revealing insight into people's concerns about the the state of the economy and their fears about job security.

"People's prevailing attitude is to knuckle down and hope their job survives the recession rather than anything more ambitious in the current climate. They are focusing on working hard to keep themselves afloat, rather than asking for a promotion (12 per cent).

Only those under the age of 25 are less determined to keep their present job (16 per cent) than get a promotion (33 per cent) or the over-55s who are more likely to resolve to retire.

The Citizens Advice Bureau reported that the number of inquries about redundancy had increased by 125 per cent across England and Wales from an average of 189 per cent in April to 425 per day in November.

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Headteacher: Mrs Amanda Dicks
NOR: 92

Teaching Assistant

MK Grade 3/4

30.5 hours per week term time only

Fixed Term until the end of the Summer Term, in the first instance

We are currently looking for an experienced, enthusiastic, caring and motivated Teaching Assistant to work within our Key Stage Two department.

St Mary's is a good school with a strong ethos of teamwork, where all staff are committed to developing the learning opportunities of our children. If you share this ethos, then please contact Mrs Anne Paterson for an information pack and further details. NVQ2 or similar an advantage, although not essential. Visits to the school are welcomed.

Closing date: Monday 23rd February 2009.
Interview date: Wednesday 4th March 2009.

The school is committed to safeguarding and protecting children. The successful applicant will be expected to undergo an enhanced Criminal Records Bureau check.

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£24,331 - £28,862 pro rata **Ref: 50016364/MKN**

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18 hours per week

Qualified to deliver numeracy in a Skills for Life setting, you will teach, assess, and develop courses for a diverse range of learners and contribute to curriculum development, including undertaking observations of teaching and learning. Experience of supporting Skills for Life in adult or further education will be essential.

Closing date: 20 February 2009. Interview date: 10 March 2009.

ContactPoint Data Administrator

£24,331 - £28,862 **Ref: 50017126/MKN**

Focused on improving outcomes for all children and young people, you will be part of a team implementing the national ContactPoint system in Milton Keynes to improve information sharing between practitioners and agencies. You will be responsible for putting in place technical and procedural arrangements to ensure the continual data quality improvement of systems sending data to ContactPoint. In addition you will lead the resolution of data queries emanating from ContactPoint.

An enhanced CRB disclosure is required.

For informal enquiries please contact Richard Sanderson on 01908 254991.

Closing date: 20 February 2009. Interview date: 5 March 2009.

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£17,574 - £21,244 **Ref: 50016928/MKN**

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For informal enquiries please contact Chris McKirgan on 01908 252803.

Closing date: 20 February 2009. Interview date: 9 March 2009.

Pupil Support Officer

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Both posts Term Time Only (40 weeks)

Full time **Ref: 50016378/MKN**

21 hours per week Wednesday to Friday **Ref: 50016849/MKN**

Part of the Family and Education Support Team, you will work with individuals and groups at risk of exclusion, or who have been excluded, to ensure continuity of academic and social progress and achievement. Your empathy for young people, and skills and confidence in managing challenging behaviour will be complemented by sound IT, organisation, and communication skills. Schools are attached to the Education Improvement Partnership. You will liaise closely with parents, staff and other agencies. Safer Recruitment Processes apply to this vacancy.

For informal enquiries please contact Lisa Hales on 07985 564474.

Closing date: 20 February 2009. Interview date: 05 March 2009.

EMASS Language Assistant

£15,524 - £18,217 pro rata

One-year fixed term

30 hours per week **Ref: 50012636/MKN**

Part time (hours flexible) **Ref: 50016424/MKN**

Working Term Time only and willing to be flexible on working hours, you will support individual and groups of ethnic minority children with English language acquisition in primary schools.

Bilingual and ideally a trained teaching assistant, you will use your experience of working with children in the UK or abroad to support children from diverse linguistic backgrounds in understanding the school curriculum and to create links with parents and the wider community.

For informal enquiries please contact Sandra O'Brien on 01908 270409.

Closing date: 20 February 2009. Interview date: 11 March 2009.

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Interviews; 2nd & 3rd March

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For an application pack please contact:
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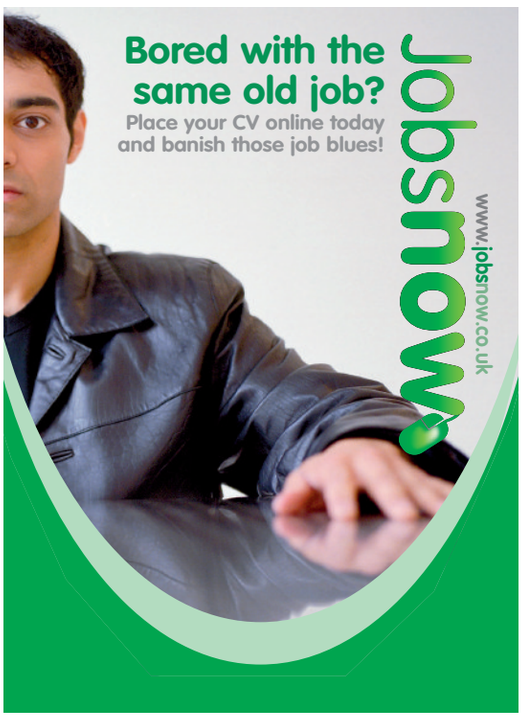

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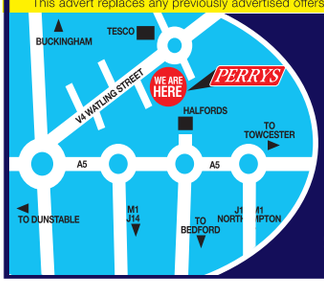

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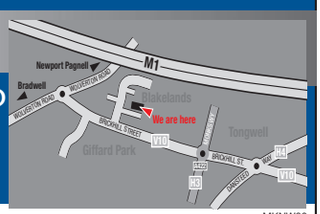

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FIXTURES

2008-09

DONS' SCORE FIRST

August

9	Leicester	A	0-2
12	Norwich (CC)	H	1-0
16	Northampton	H	1-0
23	Huddersfield	A	3-1
26	Cardiff (CC)	A	1-2
30	Swindon	H	1-2

September

6	Yeovil	H	3-0
13	Oldham	A	0-2
20	Colchester	A	3-0
27	Peterborough	H	1-2

October

4	Millwall	A	4-0
7	Bournemouth JPT	H	0-1
11	Carlisle	H	3-1
18	Crewe	A	1-1
21	Stockport	H	1-2
25	Cheltenham	H	3-1
28	Leyton Orient	A	2-1

November

1	Tranmere	H	1-0
8	Bradford (FAC)	H	1-2
15	Hartlepool	A	3-1
22	Walsall	A	3-0
25	Hereford	H	3-0

December

6	Scunthorpe	H	0-2
12	Brighton	A	4-2
20	Leeds	H	3-1
26	Bristol Rovers	A	2-1
28	Southend	H	2-0

January

12	Colchester	H	1-1
17	Carlisle	A	2-3
20	Peterborough	A	0-0
27	Leyton Orient	H	1-2
31	Cheltenham	A	5-3

February

3	Stockport	A	1-0
7	Crewe	H	
14	Hartlepool	H	
21	Tranmere	A	
28	Leicester	H	

March

3	Northampton	A
7	Swindon	A
10	Huddersfield	H
14	Oldham	H
17	Millwall	H
21	Yeovil	A
28	Leeds	A

April

4	Brighton	H
10	Southend	A
13	Bristol Rovers	H
18	Scunthorpe	A
25	Walsall	H

May

2	Hereford	A

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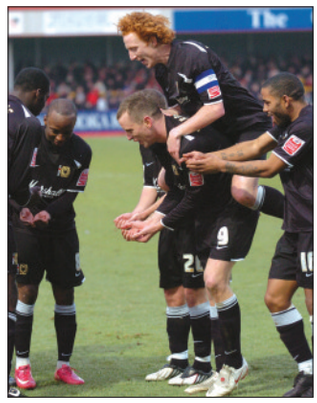

From far left: Aaron Wilbraham hits his second...

... then strokes home his hat-trick goal...

... before his team mates celebrate

Hero Alby hits three then misses the bus

CHELTENHAM TOWN 3

Spencer 68, 75, 81

MK DONS 5

Johnson 17, 71, Wilbraham 44, 45, 59

BY SIMONE CORGAN
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WHEN the talking point in a game is not the wonder strike from Jemal Johnson something special must have happened.

And it did.

In fact, although a 15 minute hat-trick from Aaron Wilbraham earned the plaudits, it was Damian Spencer's 13 minute treble that stole the headlines as it was followed four minutes later with an instant dismissal.

Even Roberto Di Matteo dubbed the eight-goal thriller 'bizarre'.

For the neutral this was action packed and worth every penny, for a die-hard supporter it was dramatic and nerve-jangling, for the manager it was a nightmare.

Di Matteo saw his side go 4-0 up but finish the 90 minutes with a 5-3 victory.

"We had a great, great first half," the Dons boss said, "fortunately we scored the third goal before half-time.

"It was bizarre, I'm not very happy with the second-half we shouldn't concede three goals. Even though I have to say credit to them (Cheltenham) they made it very difficult, they threw all those bodies into the box and it's not easy to defend against that."

Johnson's brilliant left-footed thunder strike from 35-yards began the scoring before Wilbraham added three, all from inside the area.

First Wilbraham netted a cross from Johnson, then he finished off a great run by Luke Chadwick with a helping intervention of Sam Baldock.

His final strike came after the break when he took a moment to pick his spot in the back of the net following Jason Puncheon's cross.

It was the striker's first hat-trick of his career and he became only the third Dons player, behind Clive Platt and Mark Wright, to bag three in one game.

Explaining his goal rush Wilbraham said: "I'm just trying to score as many as I can. The manager's been working on me getting into the box more, not doing as much outside the box, and I think it's paying off."

Dons were four goals up but former boss Martin Allen, now in charge of the Robins, brought on Spencer at half-time and he was in a scoring mood.

He bagged two goals either side of Johnson's superb counter-attacking solo strike, and then his third from the penalty spot after Jude Stirling was punished for pulling his shirt.

Dons hung on despite the late drama while Wilbraham and Spencer each took a match ball.

It wasn't quite the perfect day for Wilbraham as the team bus was forced to make a U-turn when they discovered their hat-trick hero had been left at Whaddon Road.

You get the impression Di Matteo is unlikely to leave Wilbraham behind again this season.

CHELTENHAM TOWN: Brown, Duff, Low (Spencer 45), Finnigan (c) (Bignall 61), Bird (Gallinagh 19), Russell, Vincent, Ridley, Westwood, Owusu, Westlake.
Booked: Owusu. Sent-off Spencer 85
MK DONS: Gueret, Stirling, Lewington (c), Llera, Johnson, Wilbraham (Gerba 74), Regan (Magnas 88), Baldock (Belson 58), Puncheon, Navarro, Chadwick. Booked: Gueret, Stirling, Puncheon

Referee: K.J Friend (Leicestershire)
Attendance: 3681 (636 away)

LEAGUE ONE TABLE

		HOME					AWAY						
		P	W	D	L	F	A	W	D	L	F	A	GD	PTS
1	Leicester	29	11	3	1	29	9	9	4	1	29	14	35	67
2	**MK Dons**	**29**	**8**	**1**	**5**	**24**	**14**	**10**	**2**	**3**	**34**	**18**	**26**	**57**
3	Scunthorpe	28	8	3	2	28	16	8	2	5	24	20	16	53
4	Peterborough	28	9	4	1	29	13	5	4	5	22	23	15	50
5	Millwall	26	9	3	2	19	12	6	2	4	18	16	9	50
6	Oldham	29	8	6	1	29	13	5	4	5	18	23	11	49
7	Leeds	28	8	2	4	28	17	6	1	7	18	18	11	45
8	Stockport	29	6	4	5	23	18	6	4	4	21	15	11	44
9	Huddersfield	30	7	5	4	23	19	5	3	6	17	24	-3	44
10	Tranmere	27	10	1	3	28	15	3	3	7	12	19	6	43
11	Colchester	28	5	3	6	16	15	7	3	4	27	24	4	42
12	Walsall	28	7	1	6	22	23	3	4	7	16	20	-5	35
13	Hartlepool	28	6	5	3	30	23	3	2	9	11	22	-4	34
14	Southend	28	7	2	4	15	11	2	5	8	17	33	-12	34
15	Bristol Rovers	27	6	3	4	26	18	2	6	6	19	24	3	33
16	Northampton	28	6	6	3	23	14	2	3	8	16	24	1	33
17	Yeovil	28	3	6	5	15	19	5	3	6	11	18	-11	33
18	Carlisle	28	7	1	5	25	19	2	4	9	12	27	-9	32
19	Swindon	27	4	4	6	22	26	2	6	5	17	21	-8	28
20	Brighton	27	3	4	6	17	22	3	6	5	14	17	-8	28
21	Leyton Orient	29	2	4	8	11	20	4	4	7	12	19	-16	26
22	Crewe	27	5	2	6	18	24	1	2	11	16	35	-25	22
23	Hereford	27	4	4	5	17	13	1	2	11	7	30	-19	21
24	Cheltenham	27	4	4	6	21	28	1	2	10	13	34	-28	21

PREVIEWS

CREWE ALEXANDRA
Saturday, February 7
League One
stadiummk KO 3pm

STRUGGLING Crewe head to stadiummk looking to spring a surprise on promotion chasing MK Dons.

Dons will not take the Railwaymen's position in the table for granted following defeat to relegation-threatened Leyton Orient last week.

However, Crewe's record on the road would suggest a visit to high-flying Dons is the last place they would want to be as they fight for survival.

They have lost eleven of their 14 games away from home this season while their only victory was a 4-1 thrashing of Hartlepool at Victoria Road.

Crewe's poor start to the season saw them sack Steve Holland and Gudjon Thordarson has been in charge since the turn of the year.

VIEW FROM THE MOOCAMP

DEFENDER Carl Magnay was the last signing for MK Dons in the January transfer window.

Magnay, 20, joined Roberto Di Matteo's side on a month-long loan from Chelsea last Friday.

He became the third new face to be added to the Dons squad in the winter window.

In case you missed any of the movers and shakers, here is a full round up.

Ins: Luke Chadwick (Norwich City - free), Jason Puncheon (Plymouth Argyle - loan), Carl Magnay (Chelsea - free), Shaun Cummings (loan extension from Chelsea).

OUT: Kevin Gallen (released - now with Luton), Craig Dobson (released -), Florian Sturm (released), Drissa Diallo (Cheltenham Town).

ACADEMY striker Charlie Collins has been called up to the Republic of Ireland Under 19s squad.

The 17-year-old was named in Sean McCafferey's 18-strong squad for two games against Russia in Sochi later this month.

First year scholar Collins spent time with the Ireland Under 18s squad during a three-game tournament last year.

The striker has scored six goals in 10 appearances for the Dons' academy this season.

McCafferey's side will play two games against their Russian counterparts on Tuesday, February 10 and Thursday, February 12.

Due to his international call up Collins will now miss the Dons' Under 18s fixture against Leicester City this Saturday.

HAT-TRICK hero Aaron Wilbraham has been named in the League One Team of the Week.

The striker took his goal tally to eleven, all of them coming in the league, when the Dons beat Cheltenham Town 5-3 on Sunday.

Team of the Week in full: Peter Brezovan (Swindon Town), Leon McSweeney (Stockport County), Michael Nelson (Hartlepool United), Rui Marques (Leeds United), Robbie Threlfall (Stockport County), Lionel Ainsworth (Huddersfield Town), Mark Carrington (Crewe Alexandra), Matty Mainwaring (Stockport County), Lloyd Dyer (Leicester City), Gary Hooper (Scunthorpe United), Aaron Wilbraham (MK Dons).

MKSPORT

Hot-shot Randall takes the shine off Scimitars

ICE HOCKEY

MK LIGHTNING 4
SHEFFIELD SCIMITARS 1

GUILDFORD FLAMES 5
MK LIGHTNING 4

A MAN-OF-THE-MATCH performance from Greg Randall saw MK Lightning beat Sheffield Scimitars.

Although spirited fight back against Guildford Flames did not produce a result Lightning remain third in the English Premier League.

They are continuing to impress but couldn't quite bridge the gap between them and second-placed Guildford.

While the Flames are five points clear Lightning still have two games in hand, should they win both only a point will separate the sides.

Only the one goal was the difference when they met on Sunday as Lightning fought back from 4-2 down to 5-4 yet they failed to find an equaliser.

Goals from Rick Plant and Martin Bouz put Flames two goals ahead with 4.57minutes on the clock.

Matt Towaski registered Lightning's first score on 14.47 but Flames regained their two goal advantage two minutes later and the score remained 3-1 at the end of the first period.

All smiles as Gary Clarke is congratulated after scoring against Sheffield Scimitars

Picture Jez Tibbetts

Michael Wales clawed another goal back for MK and Gary Clarke added a third on 27.47.

Unfortunately for Lightning Ollie Bronnimann's goal was sandwiched between their scores to keep the Flames ahead.

When Lukas Smital bagged Flames' fifth Lightning looked buried but player-coach Nick Poole provided a short handed goal five minutes from time.

Despite a desperate attempt to find a leveller that was the closest Lightning would get to their hosts.

But two points were safely in the bag from their victory over Sheffield which came the night before.

It appeared it would be a low scoring game when neither side found the net in the first period.

It took Lightning until the half-hour mark to break the deadlock when Clarke netted an assist from Lukas Zatopek.

Nine minutes later Clarke found the net again and Sheffield then broke through Lightning's defence in the first minute of the third period to set up a tense final 19 minutes.

But Lightning took full advantage of two powerplays as Randall helped Joakim Winklander set up a third, this time Michael Wales was the goal scorer.

And the trio combined again for the fourth, Wales to Randall with Wiklander finding the net, to seal a convincing win and keep Lightning in a strong league position.

■ SWINDON Wildcats visit Planet Ice on Saturday, face-off 7pm, before Lightning travel to Romford Raiders on Sunday, face-off 5.15pm.

BASKETBALL

Net gain as Terrell sees off Tigers

MK LIONS 91
Brown 34, New/Spinks 15

EVERTON TIGERS 83
Smith 34, Gross 22, Midgley 10

LIONS roared to victory over the Tigers to strengthen their place in the playoffs.

MK Lions handed newly crowned BBL Cup champions Everton Tigers an eight point defeat to move into seventh spot in the British Basketball League.

The fine scoring form of Terrell Brown, who netted 34 points, proved vital to the Lions winning their seventh league game of the season.

A fast start for Lions allowed them to open an early 13-4 advantage and they continued to dominate their visitors to end the quarter with a 25-13 lead.

With ten of the next 11 points going in favour of the Lions, the Tigers had to claw their way back into proceedings. And slowly they managed to chip away at the deficit with Josh Gross' three-pointer making the score 52-4 0at half-time.

Tigers then came to life with an 8-2 run to slash the Lions' lead to just four points before Dru Spinks grabbed six to instigate a 12-4 run for the Lions.

The home side held a 15 point lead at the beginning of the final stanza but they let it slip with seven minutes remaining as Everton moved in front for the first time with a slender 76-77 advantage.

However, Everton couldn't hang on to their hold for long as seven points from Terrell Brown took the Lions to a 83-77 lead. And the Lions held on to seal the game from the foul-line.

■ LIONS are away to Newcastle Eagles on Friday, tip-off 7.30pm, then on Sunday they host Worthing Thunder, tip-off at 4pm.

Arena move talks

LIONS' owner Vince Macaulay, right, says recent talks on the Lions' move to arena:mk were 'positive'.

Mr Macaulay met MK Dons' chief Pete Winkelman to discuss whether the home, neighbouring stadiummk, will be ready in time for the new basketball season.

He said: "Further talks should happen in three to four weeks with the key parties and we should know where we stand."

Edwards' try puts paid to Bletchley

LOCAL RUGBY

SOUTH WEST EAST TWO DIVISION

OLNEY handed Bletchley their ninth straight defeat and leapfrogged their local rivals into ninth place.

Both sides were struggling for form ahead of the meeting and it was Olney who collected a vital 30-24 win, sending Bletchely crashing to second from bottom.

The sides, who both had two players sent to the sin bin, exchanged scores throughout but it was Will Edwards' try that was the difference.

Chris Parnham put Olney in the lead with an early try, yet Bletchley hit right back through Tom Hennell and they took the lead when Kevin Turnbull added the conversion.

Fly-half Dave Smith nudged Olney back in front until Jack Couzens' dived over for a converted try to hand Bletchley a 14-8 lead.

At that point Bletchley were looking to add to the score line, however, their plans were undone by two yellow cards in quick succession.

With a two man advantage Olney regained the advantage with another Parnham try and a conversion and penalty from Smith.

After the break Bletchley were on the attack when Olney stole possession, the ball passed the hands of James Padfield and Rhys Peakman before Will Edwards finished off the excellent move with a dive over the line.

Again Edwards broke free and bundled over to register 30 points for visitors Olney.

Then Olney lost two of their players to the sin bin which allowed Bletchley's Couzens' to grab his second try of the game but it was only a consolation.

SOUTHERN COUNTIES NORTH

THE top of the table clash between Milton Keynes and Buckingham resulted in a draw.

Both sides have been leading the way throughout the season and remain tied on 27 points.

Having lost just one game each this was always going to be a close match between the heavyweights of the league.

MK won the last meeting between the sides 8-0 but this time there were no tries, instead it was ten penalties.

Andy White kicked five penalties in the battle of the boot which were enough to see the sides share a 15-15 draw.

SPORTSSHORTS

MK athletes in action

THE indoor athletics season got under way at the weekend.

Milton Keynes' Craig Pickering and Greg Rutherford were both in action Glasgow's Aviva International Match.

After a disappoint Olympics in 2008 Pickering returned to winning ways in Scotland.

Sprinter Pickering won the 60metres in an impressive 6.57secs, but comparisons were instantly made with Dwain Chambers.

Chambers ran 6.52sec in a meeting in Birmingham and Pickering will be going head-to-head with him for a spot in the European Indoor Championships in March.

Long jumper Greg Rutherford recorded a personal best to finish third with a 7.91metres.

He said: "It's my first competition of the year and I expected to jump over eight metres.

"But I'm injury-free and this gives me a good platform to work from."

Local football

NEW Bradwell St Peter stayed third in division one of the Molten Spartan South Midlands league after victory at Winslow United.

St Peter recorded a comfortable 4-1 win away from home.

Meanwhile, Stony Stratford Town are continuing to struggle in the league as they slipped to their 12th defeat of the season.

They were beaten 4-2 at the hands of Amersham Town.

In division two the honours were shared between Mursley United and Old Bradwell United.

The 3-3 draw earned Old Bradwell a vital point which lifted them off the foot to the table.

Elsewhere in the United Counties premier league Newport Pagnell lost for the first time in 19 games.

They suffered a 1-0 home defeat by Boston.

Students play for England

TWO Denbigh School students have been selected to represent England in the Under 15 Badminton tournament in Mechelen.

Emily Jeffs and Sophie Sankey, both in year nine pupils, will travel to Belgium for the tournament on 19-22 February.

They will compete against players of the same standard from other European countries.

Badminton England's start head coach, Tom Causer said: "Emily and Sophie have been training hard and are in good form for this U15 8 Nations tournament. It is a great opportunity to compete at a top European level and gain more experience.

"Both players are good competitors and if performing well can reach the latter stages. I look forward to watching them both in action."

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Wilbraham strikes again

Saturday's hat-trick hero pounces to put paid to his former club

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Aaron Wilbraham fires in the winning goal at Stockport County

Luke Chadwick takes on the Stockport defence

AARON Wilbraham returned to haunt former club Stockport County with the only goal at Edgeley Park last night.

The Dons' top scorer took his personal tally to twelve for the season on a freezing cold night when the club moved four points clear in second place.

After a difficult January two victories on the bounce have raised the Dons' automatic promotion chances and a clean sheet at play-off hopefuls Stockport will have given them a much-needed confidence boost.

Stockport's formation mirrored the Dons' with five men packed into the midfield.

It allowed the home side plenty of possession in the first ten minutes but when Dominic Blizzard tried to line up a shot from the edge of the box he faced a bank of four Dons defenders while Alan Navarro and Luke Chadwick were snapping at his heels.

Forced out wide Oli Johnson eventually found space only to blast over.

As the Dons began to feel their way into the game Jude Stirling headed over the bar and Wilbraham, who picked up his fifth booking and will now miss the game against Hartlepool, had a point blank effort blocked by a County defender.

Jemal Johnson might have done better in front of goal after hitting a shot straight at County's Owain Fon Williams, Flavien Belson had measured his diagonal ball brilliantly for Johnson to run one-on-one at the keeper.

County kept up the pressure, appearing to be edging ever closer to breaking the deadlock – only for MK Dons to do so on the counter attack.

From a throw-in level with their own box the Dons were set on their way by Chadwick before Puncheon produced an intelligent touch which took him away from his marker to find Wilbraham.

The striker, who spent eight years at Stockport, showed great control as he out muscled two defenders, turned inside the box and finished with his right foot.

It was a fantastic goal from the Dons and soon they were in their stride even Flavien Belson fancied his chances from 35-yards.

The shot forced Williams into a spectacular drive through the air to save.

Jonny Mullins thought he had levelled the scores two minutes after the break when he emphatically headed in Tommy Rowe's corner, but to the Dons' relief it was disallowed for a foul on goalie Willy Gueret.

Although the temperature fell quickly the fast paced game showed no signs of slowing with end to end action.

Leon McSweeney would have hoped to get County back on even terms with a free-kick on the 18-yard line but having beaten a five man wall he couldn't find a way past Gueret.

The blood and thunder of the game spilt onto the touchline too leaving the referee to calm matters between Di Matteo and County assistant Peter Ward who had been involved in a fiery confrontation.

County found themselves rushed when they had the ball in good areas and when the Dons found possession they used it well.

Navarro went close to doubling the lead when his shot almost squeezed under Williams.

Stockport desperately searched for a late equaliser with Oli Johnson forcing two good blocks from Gueret at his near post but the Dons held on for the three points.

STOCKPORT COUNTY: Williams, Mullins, Rose (Vincent 45), Blizzard, Rowe, Raynes (c), Turnbull (OGrady 45), McNeil, McSweeney, Mainwairing, Johnson.
MK DONS: Gueret, Stirling, Lewington (c), Llera, Johnson (Powell 75), Wilbraham, Regan, Puncheon, Navarro, Belson, Chadwick (Gerba 89). Booked: Wilbraham, Belson, Regan
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